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Mr Callaghan's unity plea for election wins TUC ovation

Mr Callaghan was given a standing ovation at the Trades Union Congress at Brighton yesterday when he sought the political sympathies of the unions on the eve of the crucial debate on wage restraint.

He warned delegates that if they rejected the social contract they would make the Labour Government's fight against inflation and high unemployment much harder [Conference report, page 6].

Social contract vital in inflation battle

From Paul Routledge
Labour Editor
Brighton

Policy differences within the trade union movement were brushed aside in a blunt electoral appeal to the TUC yesterday by the Labour Party chairman, Mr Callaghan.

"When we are together, we will win", he promised delegates to the Trades Union Congress on the eve of the crucial debate on the unions' social contract with the Government. His stridently political speech won a standing ovation that lasted more than a minute, and brought to his feet Mr Scanlon, the engineering workers' leader, popularly supposed to be the chief enemy of wage restraint.

The Foreign Secretary left no doubt in union leaders' minds that the Government was seeking to activate bedrock political sympathies. The unions and the Labour Party, Mr Callaghan said, had been brought together by Mr Heath's "obvious failure" which had reunited Labour's two wings.

However, he reminded the unions: "It is important to understand that the social contract is not the prerogative of the TUC. It is the property of both the TUC and the Labour Party, and it came to life because the Tory alternatives had failed so completely.

"The social contract is a means of achieving nothing less than the social and economic reconstruction of our country", he said.

Emphasizing the social and industrial aspect of the TUC's deal with the Government, Mr Callaghan pledged that the Labour Party intended to carry through the joint programme and fulfil its share of the contract. "But we recognize that the world does not stand still whilst we carry out these necessary but long term measures of economic and social reconstruction."

The Government's task was complicated by galloping inflation. For the first time for years the western world faced a temporary reduction in its standard of living.

Inflation was nothing new. "We have lived with it and tolerated it for many years since the Second World War. But now government and people have become frightened by it, the attempt by governments in various countries to overcome inflation in their own ways is bringing another evil consequence.

"*I speak of nothing* less than the prospect of a high level of unemployment in the Western world." Unemployment, he added, on a level Britain had not seen since the 1930s.

But though industrialized countries had to reconcile their policies to combat unemployment and inflation, which was a greater threat than the world had seen for 40 years, domestic action was also necessary.

"To overcome these twin evils of inflation and unemployment, we shall need cooperation by everyone in the country; by the Government, by employers, by trade union members, by the community as a whole. No one is exempt."

Mr Callaghan described the social contract as vitally important. He told delegates: "We have abolished statutory wage controls, so the response is now yours."

Anticipating the likelihood that some unions, led by the engineers, and possibly totalling more than two million in membership, would reject the social contract, the Labour Party chairman conceded that it was possible to reject voluntary wage restraint.

To applause he added: "But what no one can do is to contract out of consequences of that rejection. And the consequences are quite clear: rejection will make the task of a Labour government in arresting *inflation and preventing*

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Communist wins seat on general council

From Our Labour Editor
Brighton

The left wing secured substantial gains in elections for the General Council of the TUC yesterday. After a ten-year gap, a Communist was elected, but Mr Tom Jackson, a moderate, the postmen's leader, retained his seat with a much reduced majority.

As predicted in *The Times* yesterday, Mr Kenneth Gill, general secretary of the technical and supervisory staffs section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, who today leads the opposition to the general council's programme for voluntary wage restraint, became the first Communist Party member to win a seat since the early 1960s.

Another left-winger took the new seat in the scientific, technical and engineering group. Mr Clive Jenkins, the controversial head of the Association of Scientific Technical and Managerial Staffs, ended many years of industrial antagonism by winning the new seat.

The other new left-winger is Mr Jim Slater, general secretary of the National Union of Seamen, who won the place left vacant by the death of Mr John Slater, the merchant navy officers' leader.

Despite a strong left-wing challenge, Mr Jackson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, kept his place. *Ironically, the other right-wing* member of the general council, who might have feared electoral increased his vote although his slippage, Mr Roy Grantham, left-wing opponent, Mr John Morton of the musicians' union, also markedly increase his backing.

The swing to the left continues the trend evident in elections for the general council over the past few years, and is not expected to lead to any immediate political changes although the gathering strength of the militants continues to make itself felt more strongly in the unions dealings with the Government.

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EEC split over higher prices for farmers

From David Cross
Brussels, Sept 3

The British Government, supported by the West Germans and the Danes, today reacted coolly to EEC plans for a special interim increase of 4 per cent in all farm prices to offset rising production costs.

Mr Peart, the Minister of Agriculture, told his community partners at a special emergency ministerial meeting in Brussels that an improvement in farmers' incomes would not be secured by putting up prices. Some farmers needed to be helped more than others, and this could be achieved by granting direct aids to those most in need. There was too much emphasis in the Community on uniformity and not enough on flexibility, he said.

He made it clear, however, that the Labour Government might be able to accept selective price rises on products such as milk and sugar beet at the next meeting of ministers of agriculture of the Nine due to be held in Brussels on September 23 and 24.

Today's session, which took place against a backdrop of mounting agitation among the Community's farming population, was not expected to produce any final decisions. Most of the delegations had gathered for an initial exchange of views and were unable to commit themselves to a definitive package agreement.

To press home their point, a hundred or so Belgian, Dutch and French farmers gathered outside EEC headquarters this morning waving banners. They were heavily outnumbered by police and gendarmes, who kept them well away from the entrance to the building. The farmers are now pressing for an 8 per cent increase in farm prices.

In the conference chamber their case was argued most forcibly by member governments with powerful farming lobbies. M Christian Bonnet, the French minister, said his Government was generally in favour of the suggestions put forward by the European Commission. But he, together with the Belgians and Irish, felt a 4 per cent increase was insufficient to cover the higher production costs of farmers.

Siding with the British, the West Germans and the Danes said a 4 per cent increase in farm prices would have no effect on farmers' incomes and would simply put up consumer prices. The Danes have calculated that the Commission's present proposals would put food prices up by a further 1 per cent.

Mr Peart also opposed the Commission's controversial proposal to modify the relationship between British agricultural prices and the Community's common farm price levels. If the Commission's proposed changes are adopted by the ministers, Britain would lose part of the import subsidies it is paid by the Community on such products as butter, cheese, pork and bacon. This would inevitably mean some price increases for the consumer.

But the idea is firmly supported by the Irish because it would up prices paid to the Irish farmer and cut taxes at present levied on such exports as beef.

Beef scattered: Sides of British beef were strewn over the market place in Rochefort, western France, by farmers protesting against low prices, our Paris correspondent writes.

The farmers had unloaded 13 tons of beef from a lorry which had come from England. They said the low price of the meat would aggravate their own overproduction problems. The police stopped housewives from *helping themselves to the frozen carcases.*

Tractors in city: West German farmers drove 800 tractors into Bremen today in a demonstration in favour of higher prices, our Bonn correspondent writes.

The police described the procession, which included a large number of trailers filled with manure, as "surprisingly disciplined". Only 80 tractors drove into the centre of the city, and the feared traffic chaos was avoided.

Mr Heath believes giant wave overturned Morning Cloud

By Tim Jones

The circumstances surrounding the sinking of Morning Cloud, Mr Heath's yacht, which went down off Shoreham on Monday night with the loss of two men, were still obscure last night. Mr Heath's view was that a giant wave must have hit the vessel.

Morning Cloud had set off with a crew of seven from Burnham on Crouch, where she had been racing, for Cowes shortly after noon on Sunday, and the crew must have been aware of the Meteorological Office warning of imminent gales to force 8 in the area through which she was sailing.

Four other ocean-going yachts which had set out for Cowes with her turned back for Burnham as the weather deteriorated, but Morning Cloud sailed on. She sank at about 11 pm on Monday, seven miles from the Owers lightship, where she might have expected to find calmer water.

A Shoreham coastguard said later: "Conditions were very rough indeed, with gales up to force 9. I would not have advised anybody to go out in weather like that. Conditions had been like that all day and it was not a question of it all suddenly blowing up and people being caught by surprise.

"If Morning Cloud had contacted us I would have advised them not to continue."

The two men who died were Mr Christopher Chudd, aged 23, of Lowestoft, a godson of Mr Heath, and Mr Nigel Cummings, of Maidenhead.

The yacht was being taken to Cowes by Mr Donald Blewett and his crew, all experienced sailors. It was normal for her to be moved from one racing area to another in that way.

Mr Heath, who travelled to Brighton yesterday to visit the survivors in hospital, said: "The weather was manageable until late last night, when it became very severe; what seems to have happened is that they were hit by a very large, possibly freak, wave." After a rough crossing of the Thames estuary the crew had considered putting into Dover but easier weather on the Kent coast had persuaded them to go on.

When the yacht was struck by the wave two men, who were both attached to lifelines, were swept overboard. One was pulled back on to the boat but Mr Heath said, "the other man's line appears to have been cut probably against the side of the ship, and they were not able to bring him back on board. They immediately turned about to look for him, but were hit by another very large wave, this time on the starboard side.

"The boat turned almost completely over at this point and my godson, who was making his way to the cockpit, was swept overboard. As a result of the double wave, a great deal of water was found in the boat and it was decided that it was right for the crew to get into the liferaft."

The survivors came ashore at 7.30 am yesterday near a children's fun fair at Brighton, having spent eight hours exposed to winds that reached 70 mph.

They were named by Brighton police as: Donald Blewett, aged 44, of Melbourne Court, Anerley, south London; Robert Taylor, of Dolphin Square, Pimlico, London; John Barry Kennilworth, aged 42, farmer, of Craigeburn Farm, Moffat, Dumfries; Gerald Anthony Smith, aged 46, travel manager, of Ducane Court, Tooting, London; and Gardener Sorum, of Shaftesbury Avenue, South Harrow, Middlesex.

Two of the men who pulled the survivors ashore, Mr Harry Gordon and Mr Richard Klancewicz, were working on the Brighton marina when they saw the raft.

"We waded out about 45 yards with a third man and pulled it in", Mr Gordon said. "There were three hanging on the side and two inside. They were exhausted. They were just about finished.

"When we pulled them out one asked, 'How many of us are there?' I told them there were five, and he said, 'Well, we've lost two of our mates during the night'.

"*One of them was complaining* that he had a broken arm and his ribs were busted. We got some sheets out of the van and wrapped them up as best we could because they were freezing.

"We would not have known they were from Morning Cloud except one of them had a Mae West on with the words, 'Morning Cloud' written across it. I thought: you must be joking."

The fact that the crew were attached to the yacht with lifelines suggests that they were under sail rather than riding out the storm under bare poles. If a yacht is under sail then it is not feasible to batten down the hatches, leaving men on deck.

Mr Cliff Collins, secretary of the Island Sailing Club, Cowes, where Morning Cloud was due to race next Saturday, said yesterday: "I am surprised she capsized. I should think she probably filled up. It would be the sea more than the wind that would affect her."

The Queen sent a message to Mr Heath last night, expressing sympathy at the loss of the two members of the crew and of the yacht.

By a strange coincidence Mr Heath's previous yacht, also called Morning Cloud, was wrecked on Monday night off Gorey Castle, Jersey.

The south-west coast took the brunt of the gales during Monday night, with force 10 being registered in the Channel, the Bristol Channel and the Irish Sea.



A piece of wood washed up on the shore at Southwick yesterday being held by Mr John Condell, a Shoreham lifeboat launcher. Plastic seats of the kind found in ocean-racing yachts have also been spotted.

UN count of 72 skulls from Cyprus grave

From Our Correspondent
Nicosia, Sept 3

Turkish troops today uncovered more bodies from the mass grave at the Turkish Cypriot village of Maratha in east Cyprus as survivors of an alleged Greek massacre said they recognized some of the corpses as those of relatives and other people from the village.

A United Nations police officer, who has been by the graveside for the past three days, told journalists he had counted a total of 72 skulls by this afternoon. He said he was *keeping count that way* because most of the bodies were in such a state of decomposition that they fell apart as soon as they were lifted.

The Imam of Maratha, Hassan Nihat, who also has been by the grave since it was discovered on Sunday, said today that he had recognized the bodies of a cousin and an uncle as well as those of several women and girls from the village.

The Turkish Cypriot side expect there may be up to 100 bodies in the mass grave under the village rubbish dump—the total number of people missing from Maratha and an adjacent hamlet.

The Imam of Maratha and some of the other five known survivors of the total population of 93 told reporters yesterday that the villagers were rounded up on August 14 by Greek Cypriot gunmen, who apparently shot them dead and buried them under the rubbish dump.

Both the Turkish Cypriot information office and the Maratha survivors rejected an assertion by a spokesman of the Greek Cypriot Government that some of the bodies belonged to missing Greek Cypriots from the same area.

The alleged massacre date was two days before the Turkish invasion force advanced to occupy the area. Greek Cypriots declared that nothing has been heard of the people of three Greek Cypriot villages close to Maratha—Piyi, Milea and Peristernoa—since they were captured by Turkish troops on August 16.

The grave at Maratha represents the worst atrocity yet uncovered in the mass of charges and counter charges levelled by one Cypriot side against the other since the Turkish Army invaded the island on July 20. As a result, the Government of Acting President Glafkos Clerides has proposed an impartial investigation by the United Nations and the International Committee of the Red Cross of all atrocity charges in the island.

Mr Denktash, the Turkish Cypriot leader, welcomed the Clerides proposal. He suggested that an urgent inquiry should be made into another reported massacre and burial of 90 Turkish Cypriots near the Greek village of Palodhia, six miles north of Limassol. Mr Denktash said a Turkish Cypriot villager from the area had reported the existence of a mass grave there.

The Cyprus Government protested today to the United Nations over the burning of the Greek Cypriot village of Loutros two days ago. The abandoned village, in north-west Cyprus, is in the Turkish occupied area.

Nicosia, Sept 3.—Acting President Clerides has purged the Greek Cypriot police of all supporters of the Eoka-B underground which deposed Archbishop Makarios in July, informed sources reported

Raw sugar price up to record £360

By Hugh Clayton

Sugar rose by £10 in London commodity trading yesterday to reach a record of £360 a long ton. This meant that unrefined bulk sugar was being sold on the free market for almost three times the rate at which refined and packed sugar reaches British shoppers.

Although the free market price has no direct influence on the rate for British retail sugar, most of which is covered by the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement, it reflects the market's feeling that there is no sign of adequate improvement in world supplies.

Yesterday's rise was the eighth in the past 11 trading sessions and brought the London market rate to almost three times its level of a year before. Unease was intensified by an authoritative report that Britain's sugar beet crop would have a yield about a fifth lower than last year.

Fears are spreading that the rise in the world crop next year will be insufficient to meet increased demand.

Britain has suffered a more severe shortage than any other EEC member this year, and Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, will visit Guyana to secure firm commitments on more than 100,000 tons.

Sugar export blocked: Dockers at Hull, who have refused to handle a cargo of sugar for export, yesterday threatened to extend their boycott after it was suggested that the sugar would be diverted to another port (the Press Association reports).

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Colwell case findings out today

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Typescript copies of the Maria Colwell inquiry report will be issued today by the Department of Health and Social Security. Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, is expected to make a long statement.

The child was beaten to death last year by her stepfather, who is now serving a jail sentence for manslaughter. The report has been delayed by a printing dispute. A limited number of copies are being released in advance, because of public concern. Copies will be made available to the authorities, individuals concerned, and the press.

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Worcestershire top

Worcestershire won the county cricket championship yesterday after rain had denied the defending champions, Hampshire, a chance to score more points. Both teams had matches abandoned, leaving Worcestershire with 227 points to Hampshire's 225.

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Gas price rise warning to householders

A warning that domestic gas consumers may be faced with tariff increases of more than a tenth if the Government does not approve an early increase was given yesterday by Sir Arthur Hetherington, chairman of the British Gas Corporation.

Announcing a loss last year of £41.5m, he said that an even larger deficit faced the corporation this year. The industry had to be allowed to raise prices to a profitable level.

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Bronze medal won by British girl

Andrea Lynch, of Britain, won a bronze medal in the women's 100 metres at the European athletics championships in Rome yesterday. The race was won by Irena Szewinska, of Poland, who beat the Olympic champion, Renate Stecher, of East Germany.

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Pursuit of group self-interest seen as main threat to liberal democracy

By Peter Jay
Economics Editor

Liberal representative democracy is likely to pass away within the lifetime of people now adult because of its internal contradictions. This grim warning is given in a paper entitled "The Economic Contradictions of Democracy" by Samuel Brittan, delivered at Stirling yesterday before the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mr Brittan draws on Schumpeter's definition of democracy as a political market place (an "institutional arrangement in which individuals acquire the power to make political decisions by means of a competitive struggle for the people's votes") as the most realistic model of how our politics actually work. "Even viewed in this relatively unambitious life", he argues, "it is subject to endemic and growing weaknesses."

The chief of these, he says, "are the generation of excessive expectations and the disruptive effects of the pursuit of group self-interest". "This weakness", he adds, "is aggravated by the lack of any widely shared belief in the legitimacy of either the present order or of any feasible alternative social order in which democracy might operate."

Because "it is the competitive bidding for votes among an extensive electorate that distinguishes the democratic system, not popular support for the regime", the encouragement of excessive expectations is built in. "The temptation . . . becomes overwhelming to politicians—the *opposition parties* are bound to promise to do better and the government party must join the auction". Unlike in the case of commercial advertising, the political consumer is not taught wisdom by any "immediate and personal corrective experience".

". . . Neither promises of redistribution from politicians, nor demands for it from the electorate, carry with it a knowledge of how much there is to redistribute, let alone a consensus on a just distribution."

Mr Brittan adds that "the usefulness of inflationary finance as a short-term method of postponing political choice between incompatible objectives, enormously important though it may be, is but a particular case of consequences of inconsistent expectations and demands".

Turning to the corrosive effects of "the rivalry of coercive groups" in the market place, Mr Brittan argues that "the wage-push of rival unions forces government to choose between financing an inflationary level of wage settlements and facing a major increase in unemployment".

"In the last analysis", Mr Brittan's argument runs, "the authorities have to choose between accepting an *indefinite* increase in the rate of inflation and abandoning full employment to the extent necessary to break the collective wage-push power of the unions."

No convincing answer has yet

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Iraq reacts to 'ill-treatment' over shoplifting

Beirut, Sept 3.—Iraq has restricted travel to Britain because of alleged ill-treatment of Arab visitors, the Beirut newspaper *Al Anwar* said today.

In a message from Baghdad it said that Iraqis had been ordered by their Government to *apply for special permits if they* wanted to travel to Britain. Only visits for medical or official reasons were allowed.

The newspaper added that there had been an attempt, supported by Zionist organizations, to accuse Arab visitors to Britain of shoplifting. They were searched in department stores. —Reuter.

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HOME NEWS

Liberal proposals for mortgage linked to cost-of-living index

By Our Political Staff

Liberal Party proposals to help home-buyers, particularly first-timers, with a variety of new mortgages were announced yesterday by Mr Thorpe, leader of the party. The intention is not to replace the present system but to widen the choice of methods of finance.

Three kinds of mortgage are proposed. Under the first, the index-linked mortgage, the buyer would initially pay very little interest, probably no more than 2½ per cent, but both his capital repayments and his interest charges would rise in step with increases in the cost-of-living index. Mortgages would be issued for a fixed period of years and until the end of that period the buyer would pay more each year as the cost of living rose.

A Liberal pamphlet issued yesterday says that such a scheme would be particularly valuable in extending home ownership to people whose incomes rise rapidly to a certain point and remain roughly there —in relation to other incomes and prices—for most of their working lives, before tailing off before retirement.

The second method proposed is a low-start mortgage to help the buyer whose income may be low but who has good prospects of earning more later. The pamphlet says:

"Such people are often on fixed scales of salary in careers where rewards are relatively poor initially but very good later on. People undergoing specific periods of training who on qualification will get well-paid jobs would find these mortgages particularly helpful."

The borrower's interest would be less than the market rate for the first few years, then gradually rise to reach the market rate. The underpayment of interest in the early years would eventually be made up by adding the difference to the capital sum to be repaid.

The third proposal is an equity mortgage, under which a buyer would pay for part of his house through an ordinary mortgage and the rest through an interest-free grant. In return, he would be obliged to surrender part of the capital gain on the property when it was eventually sold.

Mr Thorpe said he saw no reason why the building societies could not adopt such proposals. If they were unwilling, then a Liberal government would be prepared to expand the role of the Housing Corporation, but that was an ultimate deterrent, and he did not expect it would be used.

Mr Paul Tyler, Liberal spokesman on housing, said the proposals had been discussed with the Building Societies Association and independent building societies; they had said there were no technical objections and that all that was needed was the political will.

Cabinet expected to meet amid election date speculation

By Michael Hatfield
Political Staff

Mr Wilson, back from his holidays on the Isles of Scilly, is expected to call a Cabinet meeting tomorrow before he goes to Brighton to address the TUC.

With so much speculation about an imminent general election it is difficult to imagine the subject not arising in the discussion. The last time an election was discussed in Cabinet was in early June when ministers came out marginally against an election that month.

The Government has since acted on or announced through White Papers and statements most of the key proposals in Labour's election manifesto, apart from the public ownership of urban development land.

These proposals have now been virtually completed by Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment, who is expected to seek approval for them at the Cabinet meeting. One difficulty facing the Government is that it is difficult to rush out policy White Papers because of the industrial trouble among government printers.

Whether that will have any bearing on Mr Wilson's election calculations, however, remains to be seen. The favoured dates are still October 3 or 10.

Mr Wilson is to have an audience with the Queen at Balmoral on Saturday. The visit was announced some weeks ago.

The imminence of the election has certainly prevented Mr Thorpe, leader of the Liberal Party, from presenting an attraction at the Liberal congress next week. Mr Pierre Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, had agreed in principle to address the conference.

The invitation was extended privately in the summer when Mr Thorpe was in Canada. Mr Thorpe later told Mr Wilson, who is understood to have raised no objection on the ground of protocol. But with Mr Wilson likely to announce an election soon, possibly during the week of the Liberal conference, there would have been an obvious embarrassment for Mr Trudeau.

On the eve of a three-day visit to Scotland by Mr Heath it was announced last night that the Leader of the Opposition had had a two-hour meeting with Sir William Lithgow, chairman of the Scott Lithgow shipbuilding group. Mr Heath had asked Sir William to visit London to give him a first-hand account of the industrial situation in Scotland. Sir William has agreed to be available at any time for further consultation.

Meanwhile, with the election in the air, Mr William Whitelaw, chairman of the Conservative Party, said last night that a very special responsibility would fall on all those, from whatever political party, who take part in it.

Mr Whitelaw, speaking in Cardiff, said: "We must have no personal mudslinging, no petty personalities, no partisan tricks or gimmicks. We must surely tell our people the truth as we know it, however unpalatable it may be. This can be no time for election bribes of easy promises. We must surely argue about our future and put forward our differing plans in an honest and straightforward manner."

An election would take place against the background of a serious economic situation. It was not a time for gloom and despondency. It was surely one for resolution and soundly based hopes for the future.

From the Liberal side came a speech by Mr David Steel, the chief whip, who said that if Mr Wilson called an election it would be for precisely the same reason as Mr Heath did in February: to attempt to secure a mandate for the narrow views of his own party dogma.

Mr Steel, speaking at Sutton, Surrey, said the people refused the Tories a mandate to carry on their disastrous confrontation policy. He believed that they would also refuse Labour a mandate for the huge extension of state control envisaged in their manifesto.

He said: "Neither has yet grasped that the country needs a government backed by a majority of public opinion, not a minority like the 35 per cent who backed Labour in February. There are no majorities now except those created by political sense."

The Liberal Party offered to each of the others consistent support from the back benches for an agreed programme. He added: "An agreed programme need not be a soggy compromise. We should stop shilly-shallying about Europe. We should greatly extend worker participation in industry. An agreed programme of social priorities would not be difficult to create and command majority support in the Commons."

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BBC 2 plan to attract viewers of BBC 1

The BBC 2 channel is to compete for viewers against BBC 1 in the autumn, Mr Aubrey Singer, its controller, said yesterday.

The network will challenge BBC 1's popular nine o'clock news programme with a series of comedy and light entertainment shows, Mr Singer said.

There would be emphasis on more popular shows while keeping a balance with drama, current affairs and more time for regional programmes.

Mr Singer said: "There is a very good autumn ahead. The outlook was bleak a few weeks ago but we are recovering remarkably quickly from the recent strike and I am very confident about the next four months."

His duty was to win bigger audiences for the channel. Some programmes had been held up or lost by the recent two-month stoppage by production assistants from the drama and light entertainment departments and he had also had to give up some programmes to BBC 1 to help it to strengthen its autumn schedule.

Comedy that BBC 2 will show at nine o'clock will include *Call My Bluff*, a *Monty Python* series and a series of M.A.S.H. Thursday nights will have a *Show of the Week* with four programmes starring Twiggy and six with Victor Borge.

David Frost is returning in his first interview series for BBC, and the channel will screen a season of drama productions from networks abroad. The best of programmes made in the regions for local audiences will have a regular Sunday night screening throughout the year, in a series called *Network*.

There will be two seasons of important drama productions, *Microbes and Men* and *Notorious Woman*. Arthur Lowe will play Louis Pasteur in a six-part series about the lives of four key figures in the history of medicine.

Replay for Pallisers: The final two episodes of *The Pallisers* drama series will be screened, with the five preceding episodes to refresh flagging memories, in a seven-week run beginning on September 21, a BBC official said. The series was affected by the production assistants' strike.

Florence Nightingale play: Southern Television's new £50,000 production *Miss Nightingale* based on the life of Florence Nightingale and starring Janet Suzman, is to be shown on all ITV networks on Sunday, September 15. The cast includes Robert Flemyng, Ursula Howells and Joss Ackland.

Manx rider killed

David Forrester, aged 27, a builder, of Grand Street, Greenwich, was killed yesterday when he crashed on his Metisse in the Isle of Man Junior 350 cc Manx Grand Prix race.

Sir Robert Mark on the use of force

By a Staff Reporter

Sir Robert Mark, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, said yesterday that terrorist organizations like the Angry Brigade and the IRA were "no more than a pernicious nuisance" compared with the settlement of industrial disputes by strength and the use of force at political demonstrations.

In a speech to the Guernsey Chamber of Commerce during a break in his holiday in the Channel Islands, Sir Robert said the Metropolitan Police were involved in about 500 industrial disputes and political demonstrations a year.

"On public order", he continued, "I think our record will compare with that of any police force in the world.

In Great Britain the policeman has the embodiment of control by consent. He was personally liable for wrongdoing in the discharge of his duties, and through local police authorities, the central government and the free press, he was the most accountable policeman in the world.



Mr Heath outside the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, where he visited the five survivors of his wrecked yacht.

Jack Jones threat of a strike for pension rise

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mass unemployment that much more difficult.

"Each of us, on the political side or the trade union side, must put his hand to the social contract. Each of us must be wholehearted and determined to carry it through.

"It is not just a domestic issue. It is more than a social contract between the trade union movement and the Labour Party. This is a social contract for the nation as a whole", he concluded to further applause.

Pension strike threat: The Trades Union Congress has again thrown its considerable weight behind the elderly with support for greatly increased old age pensions related to industrial earnings and the cost of living and a reduction in the retirement age to 60 for all (Alan Hamilton writes).

Encouraged by the recent pension increases, and more than ready to take full credit for the achievement, delegates yesterday voted unanimously to press for further big improvements in benefits for the old, and for equal treatment for men and women pensioners.

Mr Jack Jones, in a characteristically rousing address, which not even Mr Scanlon would have quarrelled with, called as a first step for married couples to receive a pension based on half their average earnings when working.

Pensions should then be adjusted annually to keep pace with average earnings, but in the present inflationary climate they should be reviewed quarterly to match the spiralling cost of living, Mr Jones said.

Since the TUC had begun campaigning for £10 and £16 pensions, their value had already been reduced by £2. Another speaker calculated that at the present rate of inflation the £16 pension would be worth only £12.80 by the end of the year.

Previous threats by the trade union movement to strike in support of pensioners had been averted only by the change of government, Mr Jones said. He hoped that it would not be necessary to carry out the threats, but workers were ready to take militant action

In a stage-whispered aside which he clearly hoped would carry to Westminster, Mr Jones said he was certain that the Government would repeat the gesture of last Christmas and give pensioners a £10 bonus.

Congress also gave unanimous support to a motion calling for a reduction in the retirement age to sixty, after hearing Mr Fred Jarvis, general secretary-elect of the National Union of Teachers, calculate that at present men pay on average £387 more in national insurance contributions than women and receive £2,600 less in benefits.

But Mr Terence Parry, a member of the general council and chairman of the TUC social insurance committee, sounded a note of warning when he said that improved pensions must have priority over a reduction in the retirement age; no one wanted early retirement on an inadequate pension.

Mr Parry also cautioned delegates against a return of a Conservative government.

The TUC will be looking closely at the White Paper on the future structure of pensions, due to be published soon, in which it hopes to find its principal proposals: for an adequate retirement income enough to live on without regard of other means; more frequent reviews of pensions, relating them to increases in average earnings and prices; and future pensions to be based on the pensioner's own earnings during his working life.

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Benn hint of support for air projects

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

Leaders of the British aerospace industry who met Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, when he toured the Farnborough Air Show yesterday, were cheered by indications of government support for two most important future projects, the 146 airliner and a more powerful version of the RB211 jet engine.

Mr Benn said later that the 146, a 100-seater being developed by Hawker Siddeley, was a very important part of the industry's future work load. The manufacturers recently submitted to the government a gloomy report saying that their costs were increasing by about a fifth each year. They asked whether the Government, an equal partner in the £92m development, wanted to go on or to cancel.

Mr Benn said that discussions with the industry on the future of the 146 were continuing. Next week he will meet leaders of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, who will point out to him that 25,000 jobs will be at stake if the 146 is cancelled.

The feeling Mr Benn left behind him was that, as he prepares for the nationalization of the aircraft industry, he is in favour of continuing the project, even if it meant increasing the Government's stake in it to meet rapidly rising costs.

An important factor in the final decision will be the view taken of the depressed world airline financial situation by Mr Benn's economic advisers. If they think the slump is of a short-term nature they will probably advise him to give further support. If they see no signs of its ending, they will certainly counsel cancellation.

The second big project of which Mr Benn appeared to be generally in favour was the 524 version of the RB211 engine, which is being developed to produce 52,000lb of thrust.

Mr Daniel Haughton, chairman of Lockheed, urged Mr Benn to support in public the bigger engine, the orginal version of which powers the TriStar airbus. The two met when Mr Benn made a brief flight in a TriStar from the Farnborough showground.

Mr Benn was told that a Middle East airline had held back from signing a contract for 524-powered TriStars for lack of firm British government backing. He said he firmly supported the new engine, which will cost a total of £45m to develop. Rolls-Royce has already received about half that sum

But full government approval will not come until Lockheed and Rolls-Royce have gained the first orders, what one Lockheed executive later described as "a classic aerospace chicken-and-egg situation".

Soviet government delegates were entertained at Farnborough yesterday by Mr Benn, who extolled the virtues of the 524 version of the RB211 to them, hoping that they would order it to power the American Boeing 747 jumbo jets which they are considering ordering.

Mr Benn also met a Chinese delegation. They are looking for British equipment to modernize their air traffic control system now that they have bought British Trident and American Boeing 707 airliners, and are engaged in long and difficult negotiations with Rolls-Royce over purchasing the Spey engine with a view to making it in China.

Ulster police criticize 'third force'

From Robert Fisk
Belfast

The Northern Ireland Police Federation, representing over 4,000 members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, last night asked for the continuation of internment without trial, demanded an end to legislation that could place a policeman before a court without a jury, and said that the setting up of any force in Ulster other than the RUC, the Army or the Ulster Defence Regiment "would create a holocaust".

Mr Basil Stanage, chairman of the federation, spent nearly an hour at the union's annual conference yesterday outlining his organization's views before Mr Rees, the Secretary of State, insisting at the same time that the RUC must remain "free from the shackles of a paramilitary, frontier-defending role and free from the dictatorial influence of any political party".

He said: 'Our force, more than any other police service in Western Europe, has paid dearly in the interests of the community to protect them against lawlessness.

"It is imperative that the community should be warned of the dangers to themselves and to their police when those they elect campaign for a few, while at the same time neglecting the best interests of the majority."

Mr Stanage's views were balanced somewhat by his repugnance at the idea of the formation of an unauthorized third force in Northern Ireland. The legal implications, he said, were clear that such an unauthorized force would be in breach of the law.

"The formation of any force, either authorized or unauthorized, outside the presently existing forces would create a holocaust in this country the like of which has never been seen before in what we describe as democracy."

Mr Stanage also asked for an amendment to the Emergency Provisions Act to prevent policemen charged with certain offences from appearing in courts set up after the report of the Diplock commission. RUC men in Ulster staged a partial strike earlier this year when a Special Branch detective appeared in one of the courts charged with assaulting a prisoner.

"Any police officer engaged in the arrest, detention or interrogation of a person suspected of taking part in terrorist activity", Mr Stanage said, "could not by reason of such duty himself be engaged in a terrorist act."

Meanwhile, in Belfast yesterday, two of the province's political parties published their submissions to the Gardiner committee examining emergency legislation. Both opposed an immediate end to internment without trial.

The Vanguard Party said that terrorists would receive a substantial infusion of strength if the gates of the maze prison at Long Kesh were opened. It would be socially irresponsible, the party said, to release those detained on suspicion of terrorist activities unless the authorities were completely satisfied that they could cope with all the likely consequences.

Mr Brian Faulkner's New Unionist Party argued that to be successful internment could not be half-hearted. It was counter productive, it said, for releases to be granted in an attempt to improve the political climate, and the prospect of detention being phased out should not be raised by the Government before a general improvement in security.

Meanwhile, in Dublin, ministers are taking a pessimistic attitude towards the expansion of police reservists in Northern Ireland on the basis that it can provide no answer to the difficulty of restoring law and order.

Mr Tommy Lyttle, the Ulster Defence Association's principal spokesman in Belfast, said last night that his organization had been "mobilized" because they felt that the new security proposals and planned withdrawal of 1,000 more troops would lead to an increase in activity by the Provisional IRA.

Constituency parties pick candidates

The following prospective parliamentary candidates have been adopted:

Mr Leonard Eden (Liberal), for Halesowen and Stourbridge, where Mr John Stokes (Conservative) had a general election majority of 4,049.

Mr Harry Warschauer (Liberal) a journalist, for Derbyshire, South-East, where Mr Peter Rost (Conservative) had a general election majority of 3,035.

Mr Russell Mitchell (Labour), a Humberside county councillor, for Louth, where Mr Jeffrey Archer (Conservative) had a general election majority of 9,718.

Mr Derek Ford (Labour), an insurance broker, for Daventry, where Mr A. Jones (Conservative) has a majority of 9,749.

Three players share chess lead after third round

From Harry Golombek
Chess Correspondent
Paignton

After more exciting play in the Robert Silk tournament three players, Corden, P. Littlewood and Williams, were leading with 2½ points each at the end of round three.

Littlewood obtained a strong attack against Nunn and despite a tough resistance forced home a mating attack. Corden won a piece in the middle game against Findlay, after which he had little difficulty in winning the game in 36 moves. Williams won on time against Speelman in a position that was, in fact, better for the losing player. Mestel always exerted pressure against Fuller and came down to a won double rook and pawn ending.

In the premier tournament the lead is shared by Hempson and Povah with three points each. Results in round 3 in the premier were:

Gamble adj against Hare: Povah 1. Shenhard 0. Hempson 1. Lester 0: Edge ½, Cooley ½. Griffith 1. Barton 0. Norman ½, Killick ½. Stainton 0. Spurgeon 1: Cook 0. Linton 1: Lamb 1. Milner-Barry 0. Dr Aitken ½, Dean ½. Govas adj against Stevenson: Persins 0. Kemp 1. Pratten 0. Mestel 1: B. A. Jones 1. Dilworth 0. Cook 0. Kendall 1: Casanova 0. Collard 1: Lea adj against Hosking. Bennett adj against Robinson. Taylor 1. Copeland ½. Mestras adj against Leeds: Bruce ½. Miss Sunnucks ½. Goodman 1. Daw 0. Morry ½. Pottle ½. Ralph ½. Walker ½. M. K. Jones 0. Stokes 1. Staples 1. Booth 0: Wiley 1. Soesoh 0.

Adjourned games, round one: Stainton 1. Morry 0. Round 2: Dean 0. Shephard 1: Lester 1. Taylor 0: Stevenson ½. Perkins ½: Soesoh 0. Lamb 1.

Power supply crisis at Newry worsens

From A Staff Reporter
Belfast

The power crisis in Newry, co Down, brought about by the Provisional IRA's threat against the lives of electricity workers, worsened yesterday when the IRA told manufacturers that they would not be allowed to use emergency generators to continue production.

The Provisionals, who want control of the street lighting returned from the Army to the local electricity board, also gave orders that virtually all shops should close and that factories that still had electric power should close by Monday.

For six hours yesterday a delegation of 30 from Newry District Council talked with Mr Rees, the Secretary of State, Army officers and electricity board officials at Stormont Castle, demanding that the Army should give up control over street lamps. For security reasons, the military authorities and the Government are not prepared to do that and last night the Newry councillors were threatening to stage a sit-in at the Cabinet offices unless the Government produced an answer.

Thousands of workers have been laid off in Newry since the electricity cuts began six weeks ago, and with the spread of the blackout yesterday to neighbouring villages like Richhill and Rathfriland an estimated 40,000 people are affected.

Dr Brian Donnelly, chairman of the local medical advisory committee, said there was a serious risk of food-borne disease in Newry because of the lack of warm washing-up water and because of perishable foods going stale.

Since Newry is almost 100 per cent Roman Catholic, and therefore republican, many local people think the Government should give in. The two local Social Democratic and Labour Party Assembly representatives take the view that 45 Royal Marine Commando should be withdrawn from the town.

The Provisional IRA statement said no one should use generators except for purposes approved by the IRA and that manufacturing firms that were not producing foodstuffs should start running down immediately. Since the IRA has a reasonably powerful battalion in the Newry district, many manufacturers are likely to comply with such instructions.

Until yesterday the worst effects of the power crisis had been alleviated by the Government's decision to take emergency generators into the town. Last week, for instance, three-quarters of industry was working again after a shutdown a fortnight previously.

In fact, under present government plans, the local army unit is die to be withdrawn from Northern Ireland at the beginning of November, when the Newry district will be patrolled by troops from towns about 20 miles away.

The Army seen as a force in politics

By Christopher Walker

Fresh ammunition in the controversy over the political role of the British Army is provided in an outspoken article printed today in *Monday World*, the quarterly journal of the right-wing Monday Club.

Written by a serving officer under the name of Andrew Sefton, the article reviews the changes in Army attitudes caused by five years' service in Ulster and discusses the possibility of a military takeover in Britain.

Last night a Monday Club official refused to disclose the identity of the soldier, who, he said, had served in Northern Ireland and was a lieutenant.

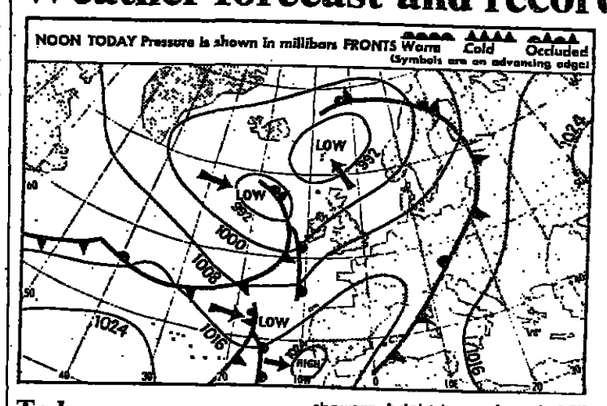
In the article, the officer writes: "For at least two years now it has been a topic of conversation in the messes of the Army that sooner or later it would be called upon to act in England. The operations at Heathrow—three this year so far—are ominous signs that this is not just a remote possibility.

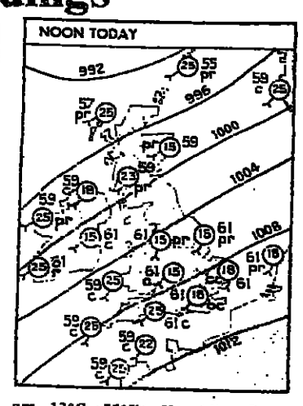
"The Government has at its disposal an Army with an experience in counter urban guerrilla warfare greater than any comparable force in the world. In an era when industrial action has become a threat to the very existence of the country, and when the possibility of having to make use of troops to maintain that existence has become a probability, then it must be a cause for considerable concern that the Army and the Government are not in a relationship of mutual trust."

The article contains severe criticism of Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Defence, but maintains that a military takeover in Britain in the Portuguese style is "unlikely".

Discussing the future, the lieutenant says the Army "has shown a considerable distrust of socialist politicians and it has (privately) shown its contempt for the new pay deal. It has emerged, in fact, as a force that has to be reckoned with in political circles".

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 6.17 am Sun sets: 7.41 pm
Moon sets: 9.18 am Moon rises: 8.6 pm
Last quarter: September 9.
Lighting up: 8.11 pm to 5.49 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.7 am, 7.1m (23.3ft); 4.15 pm, 7.2m (23.6ft). Avonmouth, 9.33 am, 12.8m (41.9ft); 9.48pm, 12.8m (42.1ft). Dover, 1.11 am, 6.5m (21.2ft); 1.26 pm, 6.6m (21.8ft). Hull, 8.15 am, 7.4m (24.3ft); 8.46 pm, 7.1m(23.2ft). Liverpool, 1.14 am, 8.7m (28.5ft); 1.33 pm, 8.4m (27.7ft).

A depression N of Scotland will move slowly N and fill; an Atlantic trough of low pressure will move E towards the British Isles.

Area forecasts:

London, SE, central S England, East Anglia, Midlands: Scattered showers, bright intervals; wind W, fresh or strong; max temp 18°C (64°F).

E, SW, NW, central N, NE England, Channel Islands, Wales, Lake District: Scattered showers, bright intervals; wind W, fresh or strong; max temp 17°C (63°F).

Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, E, SW, NW Scotland, Aberdeen, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, N Ireland: Rain at times, bright intervals; wind W, fresh or strong; max temp 16°C (61°F).

Caithness, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, rain at times; wind W, fresh or strong; max temp 14°C (57°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Rain at times, rather cool.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Algiers	s	30	86	Cologne	c	18	64
Amstrdm	c	17	63	Copenhgn	c	19	66
Athens	s	32	90	Dublin	c	15	59
Barcelona	d	31	70	Edinburgh	c	15	59
Beirut	s	31	88	Florence	f	29	84
Belfast	c	15	65	Funchal	c	25	77
Berlin	c	19	66	Geneva	r	16	61
Biarritz	r	17	63	Gibraltar	s	27	81
Birmingham	r	15	59	Guernsey	c	15	59
Bristol	c	15	59	Helsinki	s	20	68
Brussels	f	18	64	Innsbruck	s	24	75
Budapest	c	27	81	Istanbul	s	27	81
Cardiff	c	15	59	Jersey	c	14	57
L. Palmas	c	24	75	New York	c	21	70
Lisbon	s	32	90	Nice	c	27	81
Locarno	c	19	66	Oslo	c	19	66
London	c	16	61	Paris	r	19	66
Luxmbrg	c	17	63	Reykjavik	c	11	52
Madrid	s	31	88	Rome	s	30	86
Majorca	s	28	82	Rondsbsy	c	13	55
Malaga	s	31	88	Stockholm	c	21	70
Malta	s	30	86	Tel Aviv	s	34	93
Manchstr	r	15	59	Venice	s	27	81
Moscow	c	17	63	Vienna	c	19	66
Munich	c	19	66	Warsaw	c	19	66
Naples	s	30	86	Zurich	r	19	66

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 17°C (63°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 13°C (55°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 83 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, .09in. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 5.5 hours. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,004.1 millibars, rising.

1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm September 3

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp C	Max temp F	
E COAST					
Scarboro	5.0	.52	15	59	Rain
Bridlngtn	7.4	.17	16	61	Rain am
Clacton	8.5	.05	18	64	Showers
Margate	8.1	13	18	64	Rain
S COAST					
Hastings	5.4	.01	17	63	Showers
Eastbrne	8.0	.15	17	63	Rain am
Brighton	7.2	.17	17	63	Rain am
Worthing	4.6	.04	17	63	Rain
Bognor R	5.6	.13	17	63	Rain am
Sandown	6.3	.26	17	63	Rain
Bournmth	6.3	.10	16	61	Rain
Exmouth	5.3	.16	16	61	Rain
Torquay	1.4	.79	16	61	Showers
W COAST					
Morecambe	0.7	.01	16	61	Rain am
Blackpool	1.1	.32	15	59	Rain
Aberystwth	—	.35	16	61	Rain
Newquay	3.3	.59	15	59	Showers

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The main aim of The Club of Ten, a private group of citizens, has always been to expose the hoaxing of the public by double standards in international affairs whereby everything that Communist governments do is applauded as progressive and nobly inspired in the interest of the people, whereas the motivation of countries that reject socialism or communism is denounced as sinister and oppressive.

Pursuing this line of argument, The Club of Ten, some months ago, inserted an advertisement in three national newspapers under the title of AN ANALYSIS OF INDIGNATION. This criticised a series of articles by Mr Adam Raphael of THE GUARDIAN attacking the wages paid by British firms operating in South Africa. We extended an invitation to The Guardian to investigate similar wages paid in Hong Kong, Sri Lanka and Singapore and in the independent African countries under black rule. We pointed out that, unlike the Communist countries whose problem is to prevent their own citizens escaping to the West, in South Africa the concern is to control a flood of black labour from outside the country who wish to work in South Africa because of the higher wages paid there, the better living conditions, and the rule of law which prevails.

The Guardian did not accept the invitation. Instead it started a campaign of denigration against The Club of Ten, insisting that The Club of Ten, was a "front" for the South African Government.

The Club of Ten promptly supplied the Foreign Office with the names of four of the chief contributors to the funds of The Club of Ten, all private individuals from three friendly countries. After investigating the activities of The Club of Ten, the authorities stated that there was "no evidence of irregularities or illegalities in the Club's activities." This was in accordance with a principle long established in Britain that both sides should have the right to be heard, a part of the basic democratic right of free speech.

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Now that the dust has settled, we again invite The Guardian and its reporter to carry on the investigation into wages paid in the countries we have named. Otherwise we will have to conclude that The Guardian is more interested in South Africa baiting than in an impartial investigation of black wages and living standards.

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HOME NEWS

Commons committee calls for mandatory grants for needy over-16s who stay on at school

By Tim Devlin
Education Correspondent

Schoolchildren in need should be paid direct and in advance probably about £70 a year to cover some of the expenses of staying on voluntarily after the leaving age. The allowance would come from the local education authority.

That was recommended yesterday by a parliamentary select committee as part of a new mandatory national scale of educational maintenance allowances for those in the 16 to 18 age group. Allowances are at present awarded at the discretion of local education authorities.

But the members of the Commons education and arts subcommittee also recommend that headteachers should be allowed to "exclude from school" any children over the age of 16 for lack of effort in their studies.

Under the new scheme the allowances would take in the costs of school meals, clothes and travel, which were previously dealt with separately by local education authorities. A suggested allowance of £200 to be introduced next September would be split, one third going to the child and two thirds to the parents. The child allowance would cover the costs of pocket-money, clothes and travel.

Mr Neil Marten, Conservative MP for Banbury, chairman of the committee, said that in general the children most likely to benefit under his proposals would be those already entitled to free school meals and to some remission of meal charges.

The committee began its inquiries last May because of criticism of the inadequacy of the maintenance allowances, the discrepancy in the amounts awarded by individual authorities, and the low rate of take-up by parents.

Mr Marten referred to "stale statistics" kept by the Department of Education and Science on the subject. The latest detailed figures were published in 1971. They showed that during the spring term of 1970 parents of 20,080 children were receiving educational maintenance allowances at an average level of £72 a year, at a total cost in England and Wales of £1.5m.

A parliamentary answer in 1972 showed the amounts varied considerably. Burton upon Trent paid an average allowance of £181; Manchester paid an average of £117. In Reading 0.4 per cent of all pupils aged between 16 and 18 received the allowance, compared with 12.9 per cent in Sunderland.

The department has no record of the number of pupils aged between 16 and 18 who get free school meals. Mr Marten said it was impossible to work out how many would benefit and what his proposals would cost.

The department is undertaking an inquiry into the allowances and hopes to report by the end of this year.

Mr Christopher Price, Labour MP for Lewisham, West, a member of the committee, said the law on whether head teachers could exclude pupils for lack of effort in work was vague and that there had been no test case for slothfulness.

But the committee felt that that was a necessary sanction to safeguard public funds spent on the allowances.

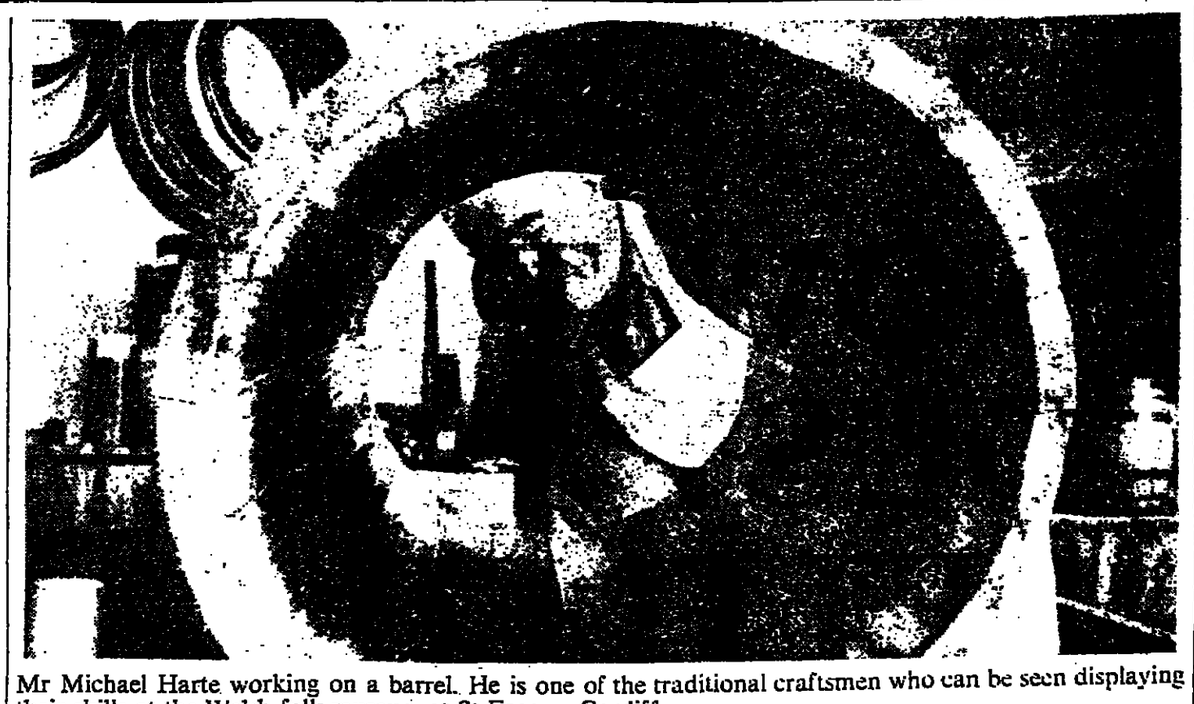
The report, which has been held up by the printers' dispute, also recommends that grants for students at colleges of further education should be dealt with separately but on a basis comparable to those of their school colleagues.

Mr Simon Emmerson, president of the National Union of School Students, said a £70 grant to cover travel, pocket money and clothes was too low. He was disappointed that the committee had not recommended a proper wage for school students who stay on at school.

The Joint Four association of teachers representing 75,000 heads and teachers in secondary schools welcomed the report yesterday. It would permit young people to continue their education without being a burden on their parents and would make the whole system much simpler, Mr Mark Stedman, one of the teachers, said.

Mr John Randall, president of the National Union of Students, said he hoped the Government would act swiftly and positively on the report but he regretted that the committee had not come down in favour of mandatory grants for students at further education colleges.

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Mr Michael Harte working on a barrel. He is one of the traditional craftsmen who can be seen displaying their skills at the Welsh folk museum at St Fagans, Cardiff.

Rate rise of 70pc forecast in Croydon

By Our Local Government Correspondent

Further evidence to the Government of the urgency with which the problem of rates should be tackled has come from the London borough of Croydon, which is forecasting an increase of 70 per cent next year.

Alderman A. J. Dunn, leader of the council, told a special meeting of the council that unless the Government provided larger grants ratepayers could expect that level of increase as a national average, as well as in Croydon.

Local authorities in many parts of the country have already said that there will have to be big rate increases next year; in London, Bromley has put its estimate at 55 per cent. In Merton, a 4p supplementary rate has been imposed to alleviate the problems caused by inflation and wage settlements.

Croydon's deficit will be £4.3m by next March, about £3m more than an earlier forecast. The 70 per cent increase would put up the domestic rate from 36.5p to 62p, or about £80 a year on an average rate bill. That might rise even higher if clerical and manual pay awards being now negotiated went above a budgeted 12.5 per cent, Mr Dunn said.

Costs in the borough, which are reflected elsewhere, have shown big increases through interest charges, pay awards, fuel, light and running costs, and in the housing revenue account.

The 1974-75 budget has already risen from £32.75m to £40m and it is believed that next year's may be £60m, which will nevertheless show a decrease in services, except in education and the social services.

News of this expected increase for ratepayers may have an immediate effect. On Thursday, there is a by-election for the Greater London Council seat of Croydon, North-east. It is at present held by Mr David Simpson (Labour) who gained it last year from the Conservatives. The Conservative candidate at that time, Miss Gladys Morgan, who is standing again, succeeded in having the election declared void.

Bombs made too easily, expert tells seminar

By Rodney Cowton

In England last year there were two hundred serious bomb incidents. New York has 10,000 bomb scares a year.

It is this situation that led yesterday to what is said to have been the first international bomb security seminar in Britain. It was organized by E.P.A. International Security and Motorola Teleprograms.

About seventy delegates saw Mr Ronald Hall, technical director of Brock's Explosives, demonstrate the ease with which potentially lethal bombs can be made from household goods.

Mr James Bell, a former principal scientific officer at the Ministry of Defence and managing director of EPA International Security, said: "Readily available domestic industrial or agricultural chemicals now make it far too easy for anyone to assemble fire and explosive bombs. Manufacturers need to recognize these dangers and to take action to reduce them by altering the formulae of products that can be used in this way."

Mr Thomas Brodie, an American bomb security consultant deprecated any tendency to assume that bomb warnings were necessarily hoaxes, but did not advocate evacuation of premises every time a warning was received. He recommended a plan under which employees would search a particular area.

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Police 'had doubts on Red Lion Square march before it started'

The police had doubts about the march by the Liberation group to Red Lion Square before it took place, the Scarman tribunal was told in London yesterday.

Mr John Gerrard, Deputy Assistant Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, said: "There was some doubt at the beginning whether the organizers of Liberation would control the marchers."

From what officers had told him the organizers "doubted whether all their supporters would conform to any arrangements they had agreed on".

The London inquiry into the disturbances in June has been told that the National Front had organized a protest march against the Government's amnesty for certain immigrants. The Liberation group's march was a counter-protest.

Mr Gerrard said members of Liberation had got in touch with the police four days in advance about the march. He held a meeting with officers concerned with plans for the Saturday. Contingency plans were drawn up for the day when both Liberation and the National Front were holding marches, but he did not receive any prior information that there was going to be an attack on the police.

Mr Gerrard agreed that no training was given to police officers in his force in how to use the short truncheon in striking a person.

Mounted police were given instructions in the use of long truncheons, which they carried in addition to the short one.

Replying to Mr David Turner-Samuels, QC, for Liberation, he added: "I have never seen an occasion when these had been used on the streets."

Mr Gerrard denied that the police had "gone mad" at Red Lion Square. Mr Turner-Samuels quoted a statement by a Liberation speaker that "people were being driven towards us and it became clear that the mounted men were riding down on all of us".

Mr Gerrard said that had certainly not happened.

The statement by Mr Sydney Bidwell, Labour MP for Ealing, Southall, added that a woman remarked to him that "the police have gone mad".

Mr Turner-Samuels asked: "That was a fact, wasn't it?"

Mr Gerrard replied: "It most certainly was not."

Lord Justice Scarman, who is conducting the inquiry, asked Mr Turner-Samuels to clarify his question, and Mr Gerrard was asked: "The police had got out of control, hadn't they?"

Mr Gerrard replied: "Certainly not."

Mr Bidwell's statement said: "It then seemed to me they were attacking a meeting they had in a sense helped to arrange."

Mr Gerrard said that in the time available it was not possible for steps to be taken to protect a Liberation meeting in the square from rioters. He agreed if he gave the order to clear the square, although at the time no offences were being committed in the north-west part.

Mr Turner-Samuels asked: "And although there were at least about 500 persons there who had gone perfectly peacefully and were holding a meeting?"

Mr Gerrard replied: "I do not think the meeting had started. They were certainly peaceful until the time this riot started, yes."

Mr Turner-Samuels: "This was not a wholly successful afternoon for the police?"

Mr Gerrard: "No, it most certainly was not."

Mr Turner-Samuels suggested that Mr Gerrard involved himself too closely in manoeuvres of clearing people from Old North Street and was unable to give a proper strategic appreciation to the whole operation.

Mr Gerrard said he considered that there was likely to be trouble at Red Lion Square, so he was there. But responsibility for manoeuvring police groups rested with the commander in the operations room, who acted on his (Mr Gerrard's) instructions.

Mr Gerrard, questioned by Mr Stephen Sedley, counsel for Warwick University Students' Union and the National Union of Students, said the cause of the disturbance was the double booking of the Conway Hall for meetings of both the National Front and Liberation.

He agreed that even if there had been no double booking many people would have wished to counter-demonstrate against the National Front.

The inquiry was adjourned until today.

Mrs Foot cleared in driving case

Magistrates at Tredegar, Gwent, yesterday dismissed a summons alleging driving a car without due care and attention against Mrs Jill Foot, wife of the Secretary of State for Employment. They also found there was no case to answer on two other summonses alleging failing to stop and failing to report an accident within 24 hours.

Scots attack on shrinkage of the pound

Runaway inflation threatening the welfare of the Scottish people could be halted only by self-government, Mr Douglas Crawford, vice-chairman of the Scottish National Party, said in Glasgow yesterday.

He was launching a party leaflet *The Incredible Shrinking Pound*, which forms the main theme of the party's campaign for the next election.

Mr Crawford said that since 1970 the value of the pound had been reduced by nearly a third, and in terms of its purchasing value for food, by well over a third. The Scottish pound would not suffer such shrinkage, he said.

He added: "Unlike the United Kingdom, Scotland sells more than she buys and thus has a healthy balance of payments. She would not need to borrow abroad at high interest rates to fund England's balance of payments deficit."

Increasing demand for new drug-dispensing system

From Arthur Osman
Birmingham

A mechanized drug-dispensing system, introduced by a Warwick hospital 14 months ago, is being used in 30 hospitals throughout Britain because of its security and efficiency, according to an interim report issued yesterday.

The system, in which drugs in solid and liquid form are packed by machine in unit doses, was first used by Central Hospital, Warwick. In the last year two million units have been packed and a second machine is to be installed which will raise annual output to seven million units to meet a national demand.

The hospital, with its German strip-packaging machine, is the country's only source of mass-produced unit-dose drugs for hospital use. It will be some time before medicines will be generally available in this form.

Priority is being given to extending unit-dose dispensing to child-health units, many of which supply expectant mothers with drugs that may be fatal to children. Hospital admissions of children under five thought to have taken medicinal poisons has doubled in the past 10 years, the figure varying between 15,000 and 16,000 a year with about 20 deaths in England and Wales.

Under the system, an individual dose from the packaging machine is placed in a patient's drawer in a drug cart. The cart replaces the traditional trolley from which a nurse selects the right drug from a number of others and then administers the exact dose.

A "medication control module" is used to supply unit doses when the hospital pharmacy is closed. By feeding identification tabs into the machine the night nurse receives the correct drug for the particular patient and the machine records the name of the nurse, the drug and the ward.

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University of London
Senate House, London
WC1E 7HU

READERSHIP IN THE ECONOMICS OF LABOUR AT THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Senate invite applications for the above Readership. Further details from the Academic Registrar (T). 7 October 1974.

Further details concerning the conditions of appointment and method of application for each of the posts advertised in this panel may be obtained by writing to the Personnel Officer of the institution concerned, unless otherwise stated. Applications close on the dates shown. Salary scales are as follows: Lecturers £2,118-£4,896; Senior Lecturer-Reader £4,707-£5,844 plus £213 London Allowance.

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New Broadmoor rooms to have alarm systems

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Alarm systems and lavatory facilities are to be included in single rooms at Broadmoor when new accommodation is provided, but it would be impracticable to modify the existing 400 single rooms, Dr Owen, Minister of State for Health and Social Services, told the National Council for Civil Liberties yesterday.

Dr Owen, in a letter replying to complaints about conditions for isolated patients, said the provision of alarm bell pushes in each room would be a considerable undertaking, which was not justified. But in special cases, for example, when an infirm patient might find difficulty in summoning staff, they were looking at the possibility of providing a simple method of attracting a nurse's attention.

The council raised the issue of conditions in isolation rooms after interviewing two patients. One young man had his slippers removed and had to walk barefoot on concrete floors in winter. A woman complained that she had been forced to wear "canvas" clothing.

Dr Owen agreed that it was unnecessary to remove the man's slippers and said new instructions had been given to staff after the incident. He denied that canvas clothing had been issued to the woman. She had been given a Terylene drill dress for her own safety, he said.

Bank robber who turned Queen's evidence 'will give jury a wealth of detail'

A wealth of detail about armed bank robberies in London and the Home Counties, including a £300,000 jewel haul in Hatton Garden, will be given to a jury at the Central Criminal Court by a robber who turned Queen's evidence to avoid prosecution, Mr John Mathew, for the prosecution, said yesterday.

He said Derek ("Bertie") Smalls would give evidence in the trial of former members of a gang that was responsible for several robberies between 1968 and 1972. The trial is expected to last six weeks. The robberies involved cash and jewelry together worth £663,928.

Mr Smalls, Mr Mathew said, had "done a deal" with the Director of Public Prosecutions to avoid prosecution. He had confessed to taking part in 15 armed robberies.

"It was because of this fact that he was able to give all the information he did", counsel continued. "But he is a man who because he was giving evidence for the Crown has himself got away scot free."

He told the jury: "Here is a man with not only the worst possible character and a number of previous convictions but with a motive to lie." He hoped the jury would find little difficulty deciding that Mr Smalls was telling the truth when they heard the wealth of detail he would give them.

Seven men are before the court. They are:

John Alfred Richards, aged 32, of Windermere Avenue, Wembley, Anthony Edlin, aged 32, of no fixed address; Leonard Walter Jones, aged 41, of Hecton Lane, Hornchurch, Essex; and James William Jeffrey, aged 32, of High Road, Harrow Weald, Middlesex, are accused of robbing employees of the National Provincial Bank, Brighton, of about £72,000 while armed with firearms on October 2, 1968. They are also accused of robbing employees of Ralli Brothers, diamond bankers, of Hatton Garden, of jewels, precious stones, diamonds and cash valued at £296,451 on March 26, 1969.

Mr Richards alone is accused of dishonestly receiving £1,000 from that robbery knowing it to have been stolen and conspiring with Mr Smalls and others including Mr Jones to defeat the course of justice by allowing his flat to be used in a share-out after the robbery.

David Kozek, aged 50, of Montpelier Road, Brighton, is accused of dishonestly receiving jewels from the robbery knowing or believing them to be stolen and dishonestly handling stolen goods.

Robert King, aged 32, a car dealer, of Harvey Estate, Islington, London, and Donald Walter Barrett, aged 32, no fixed address, are accused of robbing the Skefco Ball-bearing Company at Luton of £57,741 on May 6, 1969.

Mr Edlin and Mr Jeffrey are accused of conspiring together, with Mr Smalls and others to rob Barclays Bank, Wanstead, London in January, 1970. Mr King and Mr Barrett are accused of robbing Barclays Bank, High Road, Ilford, Essex, and employees of Security Express of £237,736 on February 9, 1970.

Of the Brighton robbery, Mr Mathew said that Mr Smalls would tell the court that he stood in the middle of the road with a gun while the robbers piled out of the bank into a van. His share of £10,000 was given to him later in Mr Richards's flat, the money being hidden in either the spin drier or the refrigerator.

Mr Smalls's version of the Ralli Brothers robbery was that Mr Richards introduced him to the cleaner, Clem Eden, who told him of the jewels kept there and showed him round the premises at 6.15 am to look at the offices, the vault and the alarm system.

The gang decided to carry out the robbery quickly. Mr Edlin and Mr Jeffrey supplied the arms, and Mr Green the vehicles, which were parked on meters near by.

The cleaner was tied up to make it appear that he was not a party to the robbery. Packets of jewels were taken from the vault after the manager had been forced to turn off the alarm system.

Mr Mathew said the cleaner had been seen by the police after the robbery, but at that stage they had no idea he was a party to it. It was not until Mr Smalls made his statement that his true part was revealed.

Longford conference seeks one answer

By a Staff Reporter

The "crisis conference" in London on Saturday should bring people much closer to an answer to Britain's crisis, Lord Longford, who is convening the conference, said yesterday. He was speaking before the start of a session called to clarify the issues that will be discussed.

Lord Longford said: "Most people feel that the crisis is in one sense an economic crisis but, in another sense, it is too fundamental to be left to economists alone. Most people are groping to find a single answer. It may be that the answer will be complex, but by bringing together moralists, cultural leaders and economic and social experts we ought to be a lot closer to an answer, however complex, by the end of the day."

Five main sessions will be held at the conference, which is entitled "The Crisis Deepens—What Can I Do To Help?" They include a religious and moral discussion with the Bishop of Stepney, Dr Huddleston, Miss Joanna Nash, a Surrey county councillor, and Mr Ashton Gibson, of the Melting Pot Foundation, among the speakers; a cultural session involving Lord Snow and Professor Donald Watt, Professor of International History at London University; and an economic discussion, the main speaker being Lord Aldington, chairman of the Port of London Authority.

The outcome of the conference may be the formation of a body dedicated to helping to overcome the nation's economic difficulties, although Lord Longford has already dissociated himself from other groups offering help and advice to the Government in the event of a national emergency.

He said: "I think there is a widespread anxiety about the economic position. I do not want to imply there is a state of despair. But there is a great desire to do something, a great spirit of public service, but frustrated public service.

"This is the compound—an economic crisis, anxiety and frustration. You may say 'do nothing'. There is always some excuse for doing nothing, but it is our duty to find out if there is something that we can do. We have to find out.

"It would be a mistake to give my own ideas, but there would be concrete suggestions like sacrifice or service, doing things.

"What follows the conference will not be a new political grouping. This will not be the mood of the conference as far as I can judge and certainly that would not be my idea.

"If the political parties felt in any way threatened by us that would be unfortunate because they would refuse to listen. The last thing we want is to threaten anybody."

Lord Longford said there was a great fund of untapped energy which should be tapped. Many serious people were beginning to come together, "and we shall awake the nation before the Doomsday arrives".

Tory protest to Mr Callaghan over Rome poster

Mr Robert Ardley, Conservative MP for Christchurch and Lymington, protested yesterday to Mr Callaghan, Chairman of the Labour Party, about the poster that appeared at the Olympic stadium in Rome on Monday, the first day of the European Athletics Championships.

The poster, which read "Britain will win with Labour" was picked up by BBC and ITV cameras covering the event, and was removed after complaints.

Associated Newspapers, published of the *Daily Mail* and London *Evening News*, said yesterday that reports that the firm that booked space for the poster was its subsidiary were not true. The company, Special Publicity Projects, was sold in June, 1973, it said.

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"Why I think three years as an Army Officer can equal three years at university."

"The graduate usually has intellectual capacity and development experience but has had little opportunity for responsibility or independent command.

The short service Officer has some considerable measure of intelligence and degree of leadership for he has been commissioned following a quite severe competitive selection procedure and he has also had the opportunity of some independent, if modest, command, usually in a foreign country. This experience invariably has a welcoming, broadening influence on outlook.

In an ideal world we would prefer our trainee to be both a graduate and to have had commissioned service experience but there simply is not time for this. Amongst our more able staff we have both those who join us from university and from the services and we have subscribed to the view that three years as an Army Officer can equal three years at a university for some time."

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"Those of us who have held both a commission and have an honours degree know that there is no magic in either. For a business such as ours both experiences can be valuable if the man concerned takes advantage of what the university or Army has to offer. To me the important words in the advertisement are "can be equal": certainly in comparing short service Officers with graduates of the same age we in this firm would expect them to be of roughly comparable intelligence – that is, to have attained in broad measure the same "A" levels on leaving secondary education. The graduate should have learned at university to be more articulate and to be capable of putting his ideas over more rationally but, on the other hand, we would normally expect the Army Officer to have a greater appreciation of how an organisation works and how to work more effectively as a member of a team."

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"In his middle twenties the Army Officer, by virtue of his training and experience, shoulders responsibility easily and fits naturally into the hierarchical structure of a large organisation. He usually has a good, plain understanding and he may have brains as well. In short, he usually makes a good leader from the beginning and progresses steadily through the assumption of greater responsibilities.

By contrast the university graduate at the same age has not been trained for the immediate assumption of responsibility and for the leadership of other men. Nor does he usually slip naturally into the hierarchical and authoritarian structure of industry coming, as he so often does, from a campus background where it is fashionable to oppose authority on principle. But he does usually have brains and a good disciplined intellect – and this we value highly.

There is room for both types of men in industry and for that reason we recruit graduates as freely as we recruit Short Service Commission Officers. A proportion of both types progresses to higher management by which time it is often difficult to recall the differences in their original training and discipline."

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"In a perfect world a completely rounded education for a young man might well be three years at university and three years military service; while by no means mutually exclusive, both have their particular contribution to make in developing the sort of qualities which we look for. While the services would not, I am sure, claim in general to compete with the universities so far as academic qualities are concerned the universities for their part, and probably because of their inherent nature, do not in general inculcate certain qualities which are the very bread and butter of military life. If we cannot have it both ways then a judicious mix must be accepted and we must rely on being able to integrate the two sorts of qualities to our best advantage. In practice, at the present time, the qualities which can derive more readily from service rather than from university training are perhaps harder to find and are equally – and I believe rightly – being looked for more and more in industry and commerce."

Chairman, Hambros Bank Ltd.

"In practical terms, the universities are our principal source and provide us with well trained minds who then need some time and training before they become fully effective in an industrial setting. The people whom we have recruited from the services, have the advantage of greater maturity and training in handling people and getting a good response from them. This is very important in our type of organisation.

There are therefore advantages in recruiting from both sources and we do not see the statement in the advertisement as exaggerated. The principal problem is attracting the right sort of person, from any source, to a career in industry sometimes because of the misconceptions that people have about it."

Group Personnel Director, United Biscuits Ltd.

"Academic qualifications are by no means all that we look for in prospective managers. We take into account such qualities as breadth of interest, ambition, commonsense, intelligence, and these qualities are not confined to graduates, as I am sure you will agree.

There is a certain similarity between the job of the young Army Officer and that of the line manager in industry in that both are concerned with organising the activities of a group and getting the best out of them, sometimes in difficult circumstances. From this point of view, a man with three years' Army service is at least equal to, and sometimes more effective than, a man straight from university."

Chairman, Ranks Hovis McDougall Ltd.

"We recruit some good graduates every year as well as some officers leaving the Services. So far as the latter are concerned I think I can do no better than repeat what I have just said in our own Gazette:–

'Young men who are thinking of taking short service commissions and who, after leaving the Army will be looking for good career opportunities, will be very welcome to come and talk to us, and we are happy to have the opportunity of saying so publicly now. In our opinion their service training, particularly in the fields of leadership and self-reliance, coupled with the experience and general knowledge acquired during their three years' service in various parts of the world, will often make them as valuable to us as they would have been had they themselves spent those three years at a university.'"

Director of Personnel, The John Lewis Partnership.

"We have a substantial graduate intake each year, we also employ some young men who have completed short service commissions. It is true to say that some graduates progress further and faster and contribute more than some ex-Officers. The converse is also true.

It is also our experience that when he first joins us, a man from the Army is likely to have a greater degree of managerial skill to offset against the graduates' stronger academic background. He may therefore, be of more immediate use to us.

You will see from this that I don't believe there is a hard and fast rule, which is why the word "can" seemed completely appropriate to me."

Chairman, Ford Motor Company Ltd.

"In our business we need young men who not only have ideas of their own, but also are able to put them across within the firm to an audience that may be sceptical and unsympathetic. He has got to be able to work under pressure in not particularly good conditions and get on well with people of all ages in all walks of life. The fact that a boy has got through the Army's selection procedure, which includes highly sophisticated tests of initiative and leadership, as opposed to the almost wholly academic selection practised nowadays by universities, means he has a good chance of meeting our requirements after three years of the rough and tumble of a subaltern's life as opposed to three in the more cloistered world of a university."

Senior Partner, Grieveson, Grant and Co.

"We are not of course saying that three years as an Officer is the same as three years at a university, but that the experience obtained as an Officer often develops desirable qualities equal in value if different in nature from those developed by a degree course.

University graduates should (and usually do) have better trained analytical minds. Soldiers should (and usually do) have a greater readiness to carry out an allotted assignment, without thought for personal inconvenience, energetically and decisively. Both groups usually have a sense of responsibility to employees – lack of this quality, if it were detected, would prevent them getting a job with any leading firm – but they usually approach this from different angles. Members of either group may, with experience and application, acquire the attributes of the other.

In companies within my group for which I have had personal responsibility we have mixed graduates and ex-officers, together with 'home-grown' management from the office and shop floor and some late entrants with industrial experience elsewhere. I am convinced that a mix of this kind is beneficial to the enterprise and also to the managers, particularly in their formative years."

Group Chief Executive, Imperial Group Limited.

"Of course the immediate products of the two types of training are not the same in academic terms and some of our jobs require professional or academic qualifications.

On the other hand there are a number of jobs (such as my own) to which an academic background is not specifically relevant.

I have a high regard for the recruitment procedures of the Armed Services and I believe the Army contains a number of intelligent young men who have learned a lot about the theory and practice of managing people. They have also experienced a degree of physical hardship, or at least discomfort, and have had to take direct responsibility for other people almost from the start of their careers. To this extent they may find it easier to adjust to the rough and tumble of business life, which so often calls for common sense and adaptability rather than intellectual excellence, than a graduate with an honours degree in the arts."

Chairman, British-American Tobacco Company Ltd.

The extracts you can read on this page are from letters in reply to an enquiry by Doctor A. R. Cane, the deputy editor of The Times Higher Education Supplement.

He subsequently published an article in which he concluded that leading businessmen do seem genuinely to value the management training given to a young man by a Short Service Commission.

And that most of them saw it at least as valuable to their companies as the academic training given at university.

(Although it's interesting to note that many agree with Mr C. E. A. Hambro that a perfect education would include both.)

Be that as it may, one thing is certain. A Short Service Commission will open a lot of doors leading to interviews and hopefully, to a sound business career.

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Army Officer

TRADES UNION CONGRESS

Anyone can reject 'contract' but not the results of rejection, Mr Callaghan warns delegates

From Our Parliamentary Staff
Brighton

It was possible to reject the social contract, but no one could contract out of the consequences of that rejection, Mr Callaghan, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs said in his speech to the congress of Brighton yesterday fraternal delegate of the Labour Party, of which he is chairman.

Mr Callaghan, explaining the meaning of the social contract, said domestic action to combat unemployment and inflation needed cooperation by everyone: the Government, employers, unions and the community as a whole. No one was exempt.

The social contract, with its emphasis on economic reconstruction and social justice, was vitally important. The Government had fulfilled its pledges to restore to the trade union movement freedom of collective bargaining and to abolish statutory wage controls.

The responsibility is now yours. You are the people who are going to have to carry this responsibility and the question arises: How do you intend to use this new-found freedom?

Mr Callaghan's point that nobody could contract out of the consequences of rejection was loudly applauded. He continued:

The consequences are quite clear. Rejection will make the task of a Labour government in arresting inflation and preventing mass unemployment that much more difficult. That is what the social contract is about.

No one could contract out of the responsibility. Each person, whether on the political side or on the trade union side, must put his hand to the social contract.

At that point a man stood up and shouted from the gallery until he was taken out by stewards. Mr Callaghan was again applauded when he continued:

There is a fierce and strong determination on the part of the Cabinet and in the Labour movement to carry out this part of our responsibility.

No one had put forward any real alternative.

If we wish to preserve a social democracy, or a democratic socialist country, let somebody say what is better than what we put forward as a result of three years' hard work.

It was not just a domestic issue. It was more than a social contract between the trade union movement and the Labour Party. "This is a social contract for the nation."

Why was the Labour Government able to swing into action within days of taking office and to act so effectively? The answer lay in the agreement reached by the liaison committee between the TUC, Labour's national executive and the Parliamentary Labour Party.

In three years the committee had hammered out the policy and priorities. Mr Heath was responsible for the TUC and the Labour movement being closer together today than at any time. "When we are together we will win. That is the moral for us."

The tripartite committee was started on the basis that a government and the unions must work together. During meetings over three years the social contract was born. Now it would be carried out only if everyone had the will and determination to do so.

The contract was not a TUC prerogative; it was the property of both the TUC and the party. "Both of us hammered it out".

The social contract meant achieving nothing less than the social and economic reconstruction of the country.

"Election or no, the long-term programme upon which we have worked and which is now in an advanced stage of preparation will be put before the next session of Parliament", Mr Callaghan said to loud applause.

It would include proposals for a substantial extension of the public sector, for taking the profit out of development land required for housing by taking it into community ownership; to extend the public sector of shipbuilding and ship repairing to marine engineering and the ports; to set up a National Enterprise Board to stimulate investment and encourage industrial efficiency and industrial democracy; and to prevent British industries from passing into foreign control.

The Government's task, like that of other Western governments, was complicated by galloping inflation at a rate hitherto unknown.

It was forty years or more since the countries of the world faced such complex economic problems with so little agreement. There was a danger that each country would take its own remedies, irrespective of whether they hurt other nations.

Inflation and unemployment must be tackled internationally. It was an urgent necessity that the Western countries should reconcile their policies and work together.

Mr Callaghan was given a standing ovation.

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Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, chatting yesterday at the Brighton congress, where he called for a big increase in retirement pensions.

We will fight until pensioners get justice, Mr Jones says

A call for a big increase in retirement pensions, led by Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, was carried unanimously. Miners' representatives said they were ready for industrial action in the fight for bigger pensions.

Mr Jones said there must be a substantial, basic state pension. The most important issue before the congress was that working men and women who had done their stint, had struggled to give workers a better living, should have decent treatment when they retired.

"We must continue to fight for them until justice is achieved", he said in moving a composite motion reaffirming the congress's declared policy to continue to press for basic state pensions. The pensions should be related to average earnings by yearly adjustments; under present conditions, there should be a quarterly review and adjustment based on the movement of the cost of living.

The unions' campaign to achieve £10 and £16 pensions had been successful, but they must plan the next stage in the campaign to secure justice.

A married couple on a pension should not get less than half average earnings as a first step.

At present something more than an annual adjustment was necessary. "When inflation is continuing at such a high rate, when workers have threshold agreements and others have collective bargaining agreements which protect their standard of living through wage increases, pensioners need the same sort of protection."

Mr Jones said that a quarterly automatic adjustment related to the cost of living was necessary, and pensions must also have a relationship to average earnings.

"Pensions must be at the right level. That means a big increase in the months ahead. The value of the pension must be maintained, kept abreast of the cost of living and related to average earnings, so that as wages rise so will pensions. The pensioners' case is our case. We will continue to stand by their side until justice is done" (cheers).

Mr Terence Parry, a member of the general council and secretary of the Fire Brigades' Union, speaking before Mr Jones, introduced the social insurance and industrial welfare section of the general council's report by saying that no one should underestimate or undervalue the success of the TUC campaign for pensions of £10 a week for single persons and £16 for married couples.

The general council had discussed the principles of a future scheme with the Labour Government. The principles included an adequate retirement income sufficient to live on without regard to other means, more frequent reviews of pensions, payments related to increases in average earnings and prices, and future pensions related to earnings, with a minimum pension below which a full contributory pensioner would not fall.

Mr Eric Clarke, of the National Union of Mineworkers, said: "The miners who have been accused of self-interest by our enemies are reminding this congress of its obligation to our elderly people. When I say elderly people I mean working-class elderly people—your fathers, grandfathers and the like."

The miners' demand was not for handouts or free meals: they demanded dignity and cash. "We are ready for industrial action and we will fight for the pensioners because it is our fight.".

BRITISH ASSOCIATION

Action needed to avoid shortages of fuel supplies, experts say

From Pearce Wright
Science Correspondent
Stirling

Shortages of coal, oil and uranium ore will occur simultaneously in Britain in the mid-1980s unless action is taken to get a correct balance between the supplies of those primary fuels. That picture came from analyses of the latest estimates of mineral resources and the world energy situation given to the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science by senior geologists and energy specialists.

They examined the likely pressures on each of the major sources of energy and indicated where the discrepancies lay between the forecasts of supply and demand.

Mr G Armstrong, of the coal department of British Petroleum, formerly with the National Coal Board, said the British coal industry was not capable of a resurgence to meet the fuel crisis. Massive funds were needed for new methods of converting coal into more convenient and cleaner forms of energy.

He thought the successful development of a completely new extraction technology would increase substantially the proportion of gross reserves that could be assessed as worth working. But the economic recovery of any parcel of coal was subject to important changes in political, social and financial developments as well as advances in technology.

There were many uncertainties, but taking conservative figures of recoverable reserves he thought enough coal existed to meet the growth in demand well into the next century. New exploration had produced a sizable increase in world reserves.

Mr Armstrong said that much of the worldwide activity in coal exploration was being done by oil companies. Initially worldwide expansion might be uncompetitive with other industries and it seemed inevitable that some form of selective rationing of resources would take place.

In Britain, he said, the coal board would need 40,000 additional colliery wage earners to fulfil plans for expansion from 130 million tons a year to 150 million tons. It was difficult to see how that labour force could be obtained.

Shortage of labour and its high cost would undoubtedly give rise to a renewed call for further mechanization but at present there was no indication of a technological breakthrough in the equipment for mining.

Mr Armstrong said the decision to rely on coal and oil for most power requirements for the next 10 years would require at least seven more coal-fired or oil-fired power stations and another 35 million tons of coal, or the oil equivalent, a year for burning in the 1980s.

Yet even at the present level of demand the industry had not been able to meet requirements fully. He thought the total capacity of the coal industry by 1985 was likely to be at best 120 million tons a year.

A short-term resurgence was expected as coal increasingly dominated steelmaking and electricity generation. Nuclear energy was likely to replace coal towards the end of the century.

That forecast would need modification if the analysis by Dr S. H. U. Bowie, of the Institute of Geological Sciences, were to come about. He said uranium was likely to replace oil and coal only if adequate steps were taken in time to ensure the discovery and development of new supplies.

Before the oil crisis the uranium demand for 1980 was estimated to be 60,000 tons. The most recent figure has increased to 65,000 tons, rising to between 115,000 and 127,000 tons in 1985, and more than 200,000 tons five years after that. The increase could not be met from known reserves and resources.

Dr Bowie suggested a number of new exploration methods and new processes for treating uranium ore, which needed urgent development if the forecast demands were to be met.

Discoveries of new uranium ore bodies have declined over the past 10 years. A similar situation exists in prospecting for oil. Mr H. R. Warman, exploration manager, BP, showed how rapid the drop of discovery in the oil industry had been. The latest figures put deposits in the North Sea as 2.1 per cent of the known world reserves, he said. Although that placed the North Sea basins in the fifth place of a league of production zones, the quantity still looks small compared with the enormous Middle East fields.

The extraction policies adopted recently to conserve reserves in the Middle East had increased the amount in that area to more than half the known world reserves.

Mr Warman said there was now little chance of discovering another Middle East; but he believed that smaller discoveries in future would keep pace with production rates and avert a sudden fall in supplies within the next 15 years.

Printing unions will form joint committee

By Our Labour Editor

The TUC is to set up a printing industry committee to bring together most printing unions and reduce demarcation disputes. Confidential moves to establish the organization will culminate in a meeting late this month.

Participants are the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades (Sogat), the industry's biggest union, which is seeking to create one union for printing workers through amalgamations; the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel (Natsopa); the Society of Lithographic Artists, Designers, Engravers and Process Workers (Slade); the Scottish Graphical Association; and the National Union of Journalists.

Two other craft manual unions with members in the printing industry, the engineers and electricians, have also been asked to participate.

The formation of the committee is bound to isolate further the National Graphical Association the 100,000-member craft union, which resigned from the TUC after remaining registered under the industrial relations Act, now defunct.

The NGA has twice tried to reaffiliate to the TUC since the Labour Government took office and abolished the 1971 legislation, but its efforts have been rebuffed.

The joint TUC body will be established with two preconditions: it will not diminish the printing unions' individual autonomy and, whatever its terms of reference, it will not stand in the way of Sogat's amalgamation venture, which is proceeding steadily.

Natsopa's executive council meets next Monday to discuss the principle of amalgamation with Sogat, and the Scottish Graphical Association is balloting its members on a merger with Sogat next month. Slade has expressed serious interest.

CBI stalls on role of workers in firms

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

The Confederation of British Industry is moving towards a policy of active indifference towards all forms of legally imposed worker-participation in industry, opening up a wide gulf between the employers' organization and the main political parties.

After a countrywide internal survey of member companies, CBI officials have concluded that even their earlier plan for statutory works councils representing management and workmen is unacceptable to most firms, particularly smaller ones.

So as the political current, both in Britain and most other EEC countries, runs towards some form of worker-participation in making decisions, British employers are stalling in the hope that their response will produce less extreme proposals from the politicians.

A definitive policy document was expected to emerge from the company survey, but it now seems likely that the CBI council on September 18 will produce no more than a discussion paper for member firms evaluating the pros and cons of different participation schemes, but endorsing none of them.

The employers argue that any kind of statutory policy cannot be made flexible, and might prove to be just as much a dangerous legal straitjacket as the 1971 Industrial Relations Act. There would also be problems of proving compliance and non-compliance with the spirit of such legislation.

In any event, the CBI is almost certain to set its face against "single-channel representation", that is, worker-participation in supervisory boards of management, which is confined to nominees elected from a list of TUC affiliated unions.

It is a formula of that kind that the Trades Union Congress will discuss today against a background of political retreat by the CBI leaders. A composite resolution on industrial democracy which absorbs complaints from left and right is expected to command a big majority.

The motion reaffirms the unions' "overriding role" as the advancement of their members' interests, and insists that union participation in industrial management must be seen to be an extension of their traditional collective bargaining role.

'Peers can undermine us', Mr Clive Jenkins says

The House of Lords was bitterly criticized by Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, who was supporting a successful motion welcoming the repeal of the Industrial Relations Act. He said that unless the House of Lords was reformed, even a smashing Labour victory could be undermined.

"We ought to say that in future our affairs must be dealt with by a properly elected and, I trust, Labour majority assembly. What is clear is that we ought not to tolerate the reactionary legislation passed by people whose only qualification is the undistinguished history of their predecessors."

The composite motion, which also welcomed the replacement of the Industrial Relations Act by the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act, regretted amendments to that second Act which were calculated to hamper trade unions and employers in creating effectively closed-shop arrangements.

Those amendments, it said, had the effect of creating ambiguity and obscurity in important areas of the law

Mr J. Hendy, of the Association of Teachers in Technical Institutions, who moved the composite motion, and Mr Kenneth Morgan, general secretary of the National Union of Journalists, criticized amendments made to the Labour Government's Act by both the Lords and the Commons.

Health equality demanded

In every section of the health service there was a great sense of grievance because it was lagging behind every other service industry, Mrs Elsa Brookstone, National Union of Public Employees, said, successfully moving a composite motion.

It demanded a larger proportion of the gross national product for the NHS and a far greater proportion for primary health care and preventive measures.

The service must provide equality of treatment without regard to patients' financial means. The Government should end facilities for private patients in NHS hospitals.

Mrs Brookstone said the NHS was lagging behind local authorities and teachers, and could certainly not be compared with private industry.

Mr E. Spanswick, secretary of the Confederation of Health Service Employees, said: "We are not going to giveup what we have won in banning private practice in various hospitals and private consultations, or in doing away with agency staff, especially nurses".

The congress adjourned until today.

Bailed building workers 'must not return to jail'

A demand that building workers on bail pending appeal in the wake of the Shrewsbury picketing trial should not be returned to jail was made by Mr George Smith, general secretary of the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians.

He moved successfully that the congress should demand that every legal step should be taken to ensure that no building worker tried at Shrewsbury should be held in jail any longer.

The motion asserted that the sentences imposed at the trial were savagely excessive, having regard to the nature of the dispute and the evidence of provocation from "lump" workers and others.

It continued: "Congress concludes that the charges were pressed only because the strike was successful and because the employers were anxious to intimidate the workers concerned". The motion demanded a review of the law on peaceful picketing and satisfactory curbs on the use of conspiracy charges in strike situations.

Mr Smith said the congress was late in the day in discussing reform of the law on picketing. Some of their fellow trade unionists had served prison sentences because that law was in need of reform.

The Shrewsbury case illustrated the dangers that faced pickets, peaceful and otherwise. It was important to ask why the prosecution had resorted to the common law rather than prosecuting the men under Act of Parliament.

"The answer is that common law made it possible to impose vicious sentences on pickets, whereas if charges had been brought under the 1875 Act, the maximum penalty would have been £20 fines or three months' imprisonment, which would not have satisfied that Government".

It was because the building strike was successful and because it came after a successful miners' strike in which picketing had played an important part that the Government had been determined to intimidate workers who withdrew labour and picketed work places.

The resources of the TUC should be used to ensure that the two men who were on bail pending appeal in the Shrewsbury case did not return to jail. The sentences in that case had been unreasonable in the circumstances and were clearly designed to intimidate workers in the climate of industrial relations that existed at the time of the trial.

Mr Hugh Scanlon, president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, supporting the motion, withdrew an amendment tabled by the engineering section of his union calling for repeal of the 1875 Conspiracy and Protection of Property Act.

He said that Mr Smith had said almost everything that could be said, not only about the savage sentences, which were typical of the political and industrial climate at the time, but had also clearly indicated trade unionists' sentiments about not returning their two colleagues to the jail.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said he gladly gave the assurances sought because there was no difference between the views of the general council on the motion and those expressed by Mr Smith and Mr Scanlon.

Teachers call for cut in retirement age

An examination of the cost and timetable involved in reducing the retirement age from 65 to 60 was called for by Mr Fred Jarvis, of the National Union of Teachers.

He successfully moved a motion calling on the general council to discuss the proposal with the Government so that at 60 men and women would be entitled to full-rate national insurance and occupational pensions without diminution of the occupational pension entitlement which would otherwise have accrued at 65 or other normal retirement age.

The motion also called for the retirement age of British miners to be brought into line with that of mineworkers in most other countries, and said that state and occupational pensioners should share in any general improvements in standards of living by basing increases in pensions on new indices reflecting movements in both earnings and the cost of living.

Elections to the general council

Elections to the TUC General Council, announced yesterday, are as follows. An asterisk indicates a re-elected member.

1. Mining and quarrying (two elected): *L. Daly (NUM), 1,263,000; *J. Gormley (NUM), 1,580,000; L. Wardle (Deeds), 1,505,000.
2. Railways (two elected): *R. W. Buckton (Aslef), 8,344,000; *S. F. Greene (NUR), 9,330,000; D. A. Mackenzie (TSSA), 1,459,000.
3. Transport other than railways (four elected): A. J. Hughes (United Road Transport Union), 1,070,000; *J. L. Jones (TGWU), 9,328,000; L. Nevin (Merchant Navy and airline officers), 9,051,000; S. Pemberton (TGWU), 7,829,000; J. Slater (Seamen), 6,281,000; *C. H. Urwin (TGWU), 9,926,000.
4. Shipbuilding (no contest): D. McGarvey (boilermakers).
5. Engineering, founding and vehicle building (no contest): J. M. Boyd (AUEW); *L. W. Buck (sheet metal workers); *L. F. Edmondson (AUEW); *H. Scanlon (AUEW).
6. Technical engineering and scientific (two elected): K. Gill (TASS), 7,866,000; J. Jenkins (ASTMS), 7,266,000; J. Lyons (power engineers), 9,601,000.
7. Electricity (no contest): *F. J. Chapple (ETU).
8. Iron and steel and minor metal trades (no contest): *D. H. Davies (ISTC).
9. Building, woodworking and furnishing (no contest): C. Lloyd (Ucatt); *F. F. Smith (Ucatt).
10. Printing and paper (one elected): *R. Brinsmead (Natsopa), 8,926,000; W. H. Keys (Sogat), 807,000.
11. Textiles (one elected): F. Dyson (dyers and bleachers), 1,160,000; *J. King (textile workers), 8,515,000.
12. Clothing, leather and boot and shoe (one elected): H. Conniford (Nufat), 396,000; H. L. Gibson (hosiery and knitwear), 8,108,000; J. MacGougan (tailors and garment workers), 5,012,000.
13. Glass, pottery, chemicals, food, drink, tobacco, brushmaking and distribution (no contest): *Lord Allen of Fallowfield (Usdaw); *C. D. Grieve (tobacco workers).
14. Agriculture (no contest): *R. N. Hetlet (NUAAW).
15. Public employees (no contest): *G. A. Drain (Nalgo); *A. W. Fisher (Nupe); F. F. Jarvis (NUT); *T. Parry (Fire brigades).
16. Civil servants and Post Office (two elected): T. Jackson (IRW), 5,000,000; *S. L. Kendall (CPSA), 4,137,000; *C. T. H. Plant (Inland Revenue), 8,214,000.
17. Professional, clerical entertainment (two elected): *R. A. Cranham (Apex), 5,206,000; R. L. Keenan (theatrical), television and kine), 4,355,000; J. Morton (musicians), 4,787,000; *A. Sapper (ACTT), 8,408,000.
18. General workers (no contest): *N. Bannell; *A. M. Donnet; *J. F. Eccles (all GMWU).
19. Women workers (two elected): R. Tuck (Nalgo), 660,000; C. P. Yapp (Usdaw), 3,675,000; *C. M. Patterson (TGWU), 8,170,000; *A. M. Prime (Nalgo), 6,000,000; E. Wilkinson (ETU), 566,000.

Cheers for Canadian

The fraternal delegate from the Canadian Labour Conference, Mr Stanley Little, was cheered when he said in his speech: "The impression conveyed is that if strikes could be eliminated most of the world's economic problems would vanish. We know this is bloody nonsense. Only by acting as unions can we get the job done."

Compensation report

A motion, moved by Sir Sidney Greene, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, was carried, pressing the Royal Commission on Civil Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury to present its report as soon as possible.

Charges for spectacles

A motion declaring that the congress was deeply disturbed at the policy of charging for spectacles in accordance with the strength of the lens was carried.

Lack of funds blamed for cancer research delay

From Our Science Correspondent

The most promising line of research into the cause of cancer was being hamstrung by a shortage of money, Professor J. Paul, Director of the Beatson Institute for Cancer Research, Glasgow, told the British Association for the Advancement of Science yesterday.

He said it was realistic to expect to unravel the cause of cancer within 10 years because of recent advances in molecular biology, many of which will be discussed at the association's meeting over the next few days.

Finding the basic cause of the disease was not being offered as a guarantee of some miracle cure, Professor Paul said. But he would be astonished if, as in other fundamental medical research, effective methods of treatment did not come from the discovery of the basic cause of the disease.

Yet there were troubles for molecular biology. It was a highly political subject. The question of how much to spend on investigations was difficult to answer, but when it was raised biologists were asked to explain the relevance of their work.

Professor Paul said that was a way of asking what society will get back from what it spends. He thought it curious that the same question seemed rarely to be raised in relation to astronomy, space research, archaeology, the rats, or expenditure on entertainment.

There were some obvious arguments that should convince doubters about the need to support biological research properly.

The direct cost to the National Health Service of treating cancer patients was more than £70m. The overall cost to the economy, taking all factors into account, was £500m a year. Almost a tenth of non-psychiatric hospital beds were occupied by cancer patients.

To get some idea of the human costs, it was necessary to realize that about 40 per cent of all cancer deaths in women occurred before the age of 55, and 40 per cent in men between the ages of 45 and 60.

Professor Paul said it was becoming obvious that society is approaching the limits of what it can pay for in terms of direct medical care. To improve the situaiton it would have to accumulate more wealth or reduce the number of people who fall ill, curtailing the time they are incapacitated and, if possible, reducing the cost of treatment.

That had been done in the past most effectively. Probably the two most valuable inventions, in social terms, of the past 2,000 years had been vaccination and antibiotics.

There was an enormous discrepancy between the millions spent on defence research and the small amount on research into illness, Professor Paul said. The first made virtually no contribution to the economy, but illness continued to be a drain on it. The case seemed clear for increasing expenditure on biomedical research in Britain by three or four times.

Doctor 'hooked on heroin' during sleep experiments

From a Staff Reporter

Dr Stuart Lewis, lecturer in behavioural sciences at Nottingham University medical school, said yesterday that he had taken heroin during experiments on sleep patterns. "Two of us took it. We got hooked. It was unpleasant, and I would not repeat it", he told the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

He said he took 7.5 milligrams for a total of 10 nights and felt "terrible" for a fortnight afterwards, although there was no temptation to take more. The experiment was carried out under strict conditions in hospital.

Dr Lewis said addicts would have been unsuitable and he did not want to use normal volunteers. "Only four of us could have done it. Two of us took it for three nights and again for seven nights and the other two took recordings."

He said there was increasing evidence of a 90-minute rhythm in both sleep and waking activity. Paradoxical sleep (when dreaming) occurred every 90 minutes. People sent down caves took food and drink about every 90 minutes.

Amphetamine addicts, taken off the drug, took about two months before the brain started producing paradoxical sleep at the right point in the night. Two nights after taking a drug overdose a person had no paradoxical sleep at all. Gradually it came back and there was a big increase, going up to 45 per cent in one subject.

Mr Michael Herbert, of the Medical Research Council, said that the more a person moved in sleep, the better he would feel in the morning. "There is evidence positively arguing that the more movements you make in the night the better you will feel", he said.

Danger to divers: Experiments with teams of divers into memory retention under water had indicated possible dangers in technical work being carried out on the ocean bed, Mr Duncan Godden, of Stirling University, said. There might particularly be implications for North Sea oil exploitation.

"It is possible that what is learnt in a given environment is best recalled in that same environment. Changing to another might in some ways be detrimental to memory", he said.

More help sought for men at risk of occupational disease

Employers must accept full responsibility for the environmental conditions in which their employees worked, Mr Michael McGahey, of the National Union of Mineworkers, told the congress.

He successfully moved a motion saying that the general council sought as a matter of urgency to establish with the Government that all chest diseases suffered by workers in dusty industries, such as miners, foundry workers, steel workers, and cotton operatives, should be scheduled as industrial diseases.

The motion demanded that there must be far greater protection for workers exposed to dangerous substances and that the protection should be extended through the compulsory use of wet methods of dust control and the installation of local exhaust and dilution ventilation systems to include dust hazards.

Mr McGahey said his union understood the difficulty of having to explain to a widow of a dead miner who had been certified with a chest disease that she was not entitled in law to any claim or any benefits.

They could not hope to create a situation in which people were nor subject to these diseases, but they required more intensive research into other forms of dust control apart from wet methods.

Under the Mines and Quarries Act, 1954, it was the responsibility of the mine manager to suppress dust at its source, but there were no statutory regulations to explain how he did it.

Mr W. Page, of the National Union of Agriculture and Allied Workers, said that over the years it had been assumed that agriculture was a healthy occupation, but in the postwar years the upsurge of mechanization in agriculture had brought about many hazards for workers.

There were obvious dust hazards in conditions of bulk storage of grain.

Holding up a gauze face mask, he said: "It is often said that this nation has the most advanced engineering designers in the world; yet look what they produce to protect the farm worker from the scourge of deadly industrial disease."

A composite motion calling for stronger measures to prevent accidents at work was carried on a show of hands.

Among the demands made in the motion were: heavier penalties against employers who abused the Factory Acts, introduction of more factory inspectors, immediate reappraisal of the proposed reform of the Factory Inspectorate which sought to diminish the number of local offices, compulsory introduction of joint safety committees with statutory powers, and the introduction of a medical register similar to the accident register to enable workers to report any increased ill health among fellow workers

It called on the general council to mount a comprehensive training scheme for union representatives looking after health and safety concerns at work, and urged the Government to amend the Health and Safety at Work Act to bring the agricultural industry under the supervision of the Health and Safety Commission being set up under the Act.

Mr William Miles, of the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades, moving the motion, said there was a need to change conditional attitudes such as: "Man has always a price to pay for progress".

We were told that in Britain we enjoyed the benefit of the rule of law, he said. But the only law that ruled in the factories was the law of the jungle under which men, women, and children were maimed or mutilated.

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WEST EUROPE

Giscard-Schmidt talks lighten gloom over European unity

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Sept 3

As one French commentator points out today, there is one small ray of sunshine lighting up the gloom in which European unity has been plunged for many months. It is the excellent relationship which exists between President Giscard d'Estaing and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, which was demonstrated once again by their informal four and a half hour meeting in Paris last night.

West Germany must inevitably play an essential part in any initiative by the French President on European unity. But the Germans are very anxious to be cast neither in the role of the bankers nor the *schoolmasters of Europe*, as Herr Hans Apel, their Finance Minister, said recently.

That is why last night's talks were wrapped in the greatest discretion. Both sides wanted to avoid giving the other countries of the Community the remotest suspicion that they were about to be presented with anything resembling a Franco-German *fait accompli* on the proposals to be submitted to the European "summit" which M. Giscard d'Estaing intends to call before the end of the year.

These proposals are still in a very inchoate form in the President's mind. He appears to be *thinking on two lines; a reactivation* of the much battered proposals for an economic and monetary union, and a tighter organization of political consultation with, as the ultimate goal in 1980, some sort of confederal organization of Europe.

On the first point, the West German Chancellor appears to have been somewhat reticent. In the present stage of European monetary disorganization, with the economies of Italy and *Britain threatened with collapse*, one can even less realistically speak of European monetary union than at the Copenhagen "summit" last year.

The floating of a European fund of some $5,000m (£2,170m) to help member nations, suggested by the Commission last July, is no more attractive to the West German Government than it was two months ago. It prefers bilateral solutions with some guarantee of economic stringency by the recipient, as in the case of the loan granted to Italy.

The standpoint of the Federal Government remains more firmly than ever that there can be no progress towards monetary union without adjustment of economic policies and more convincing effort by its partners to reduce inflation to reasonable proportions.

Before any discussion about a resumption of progress towards European economic and monetary union, the ground lost in the past year would have to be recovered and France in particular would have to return to the *European system of joint* currency arrangements "the snake").

For all that has been said in recent months, this system is not yet dead by any means and the strength of the franc on the markets since January makes its revival much less hypothetical. At any rate, apart from the coordination of economic policies, some degree of harmonization of exchange rates remains, in the German view, *indispensable*.

M Giscard d'Estaign presided over a ministerial meeting at the Elysée today to define the French standpoint on monetary problems in coming months, and in particular possible proposals to revive the movement towards economic and monetary union.

Dan van der Vat writes from Bonn: Herr Schmidt returned to Bonn in uncharacteristically laconic mood today from Paris.

West German press reports *reflect the Bonn Government's* polite scepticism about the usefulness of a European Community summit later this year, as proposed by the French.

A Government spokesman, in an otherwise uninformative statement, said that the main theme of the discussions last night was where and how progress could be made in the further development of the Community. This points to an exchange of views on both *political and economic union*.

The spokesman added that the two leaders had agreed to keep the contents of their talks confidential. On his arrival at Cologne airport, Heer Schmidt was confident that a meeting of the nine government would take place, but he said he would prefer not to use the word "summit" for it.

Protests at planned French tax on firms

From Richard Wigg
Paris, Sept 3

The Patronat, the national employers' federation, today came out strongly against a new anti-inflation tax on companies' turnover, planned by the Government as an important part of its economic programme to curb pay increases.

The new tax threatened growing state intervention, the federation warned its 100,000 *members, and upset them at a* grave disadvantage to their competitors in the European Community.

Talks between the Patronat and the main trade union organizations began also today on the key issue in the present uncertain economic climate, *that of measures to ensure* security of jobs and guaranteed retraining in the event of collective dismissals.

The anti-inflation tax has *been devised by one of President* Giscard d'Estaign's chief economic advisers. It has an *ingenious mechanism which* theoretically separates that part of a firm's increased turnover *which is due to higher* productivity from its inflationary aspect.

Firms would be subject to detailed periodic study by the tax authorities, the Patronat said.

Multinational companies working in France would be able to get round the new tax, the Patronat said, to the detriment of the smaller French concerns.



A customer in a Rome supermarket looks at a notice above nearly empty shelves limiting him to five kilos (11lb) of spaghetti. Italy is suffering from a spaghetti shortage caused by panic buying in advance of big price increases.

Warning to Bonn on its ties with W Berlin

Moscow, Sept 3.—Pravda warned the West today, on the third anniversary of the four-power Berlin agreement, that any actions which violate the letter or spirit of the pact "will not remain without consequences".

A leading article in the Soviet *Communist Party newspaper* supported the agreement as an important factor in the maintenance of European peace; but it renewed complaints that the West German Government's recent decision to establish a federal environmental protection agency in West Berlin was *contrary to the intent of the* pact.

The newspaper said that West Berlin ties with Bonn were "permissible so long as they do not run counter to the agreement's pivotal provision that the city does not belong to the Federal Republic of Germany. Any illegal or unilateral actions running counter to the letter and spirit of the four-power agreement cannot and will not remain without consequences".

Last month East Germany began harassing West German officials travelling to work at the new environmental agency.—UPI.

Our Washington Correspondent writes: An East German delegation arrived here last night to complete arrangements for the formal establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries. The agreement will be signed in the State Department tomorrow

Three killed as police foil Paris bank raid

Paris, Sept 3.—A policeman and two bank robbers were killed in a shootout when police foiled a robbery in a bank in the Pigalle area of Paris today.

Two other people were wounded and a third bank rob*ber was arrested, police said.* Some money was recovered.

Police rushed to the scene when a bank clerk pressed an alarm signal and the three gangsters met them with a hail of bullets. Four people were injured, including a police sergeant.

Neo-fascists questioned over bomb

From Our Correspondent
Rome, Sept 3

The secretary and president of the neo-fascist Italian Social Movement, Signor Giorgio Almirante and Signor Alfredo *Covelli, were questioned here* today by the Bologna public prosecutor in connexion with the bomb attack on the Rome-Munich express on August 4 *in which 12 people died.*

The two neo-fascist leaders have been regarded as witnesses since, immediately after the explosion Signor Almirante publicly disclosed that two weeks earlier they had tipped off the Interior Ministry's anti-terrorist office that left-wingers were planning to blow up an express train.

The source of their information was identified as Signor Francesco Sgro, a Rome University employee who named a left-wing lecturer, Signor Davide Aio, and two other people as alleged conspirators.

Later he retracted the story and said that it had been a right-wing plot. *He claimed that* a prominent neo-fascist party member, Dr Aldo Basile, a lawyer, had paid him 1m lire (about £600) to tell investigators the "left-wing" story.

Signor Sgro, Dr Basile and his partner, Dr Francesco Sebastianelli, are now all in jail charged with libelling Signor Aio.

The public prosecutor, Dr Ortavio Lo Cigno, is expected to try and clarify the exact relationship between Signor Sgro, Dr Basile and Signor Almirante after the allegation by the lawyer for Signor Aio yesterday that Signor Sgro had the party secretary's secret *ex-directory telephone number* in his notebook.

Until now investigators had been given to understand that Signor Sgro and Signor Almirante were complete strangers and that Dr Basile simply passed on the information to Signor Almirante

Religious groups sound warning on torture

Louvain, Sept 3.—The second world conference on religion and peace today approved a report condemning torture and the violation of human rights, despite bitter divisions in the drafting committee earlier this week.

The conference avoided naming some specific cases brought up in heated discussion in committee, such as the Soviet Union and Northern Ireland.

But the report declared: "The gap between the ideals professed by governments and the realization of these ideals has widened".

In the final draft South Korea was the only country that came in for specific attack from the conference, which brought together delegates from more than 50 countries, including Eastern Europe, representing more than 30 religious groupings.

The Report emphasized the need to implement basic human rights and said that religious organizations could play a role of prime importance. "Unfortunately, religious leaders have not always been active in the defence of human rights and fundamental *freedoms*", it said.

Moving the adoption of the report on the final day of the week-long conference, Judge Margaret Neywood, of the United States, said that the situation was worsening and involved physical and psychological torture and sexual abuses *of all kinds*.

"This conference particularly condemns the torture of detainees, an act which has been described as the ultimate human degradation", she said.

"It calls on all religious organizations to lend their weight and authority to the *campaign to root out this evil*, an evil which extends right across the world from Chile to Korea."

Doctor cleared over radio 'euthanasia' hint

From Our Correspondent
Copenhagen, Sept 3

Professor Bjoern Ibsen, the Danish physician who hinted in a radio broadcast last month that he had helped incurably ill patients "to find peace", has cleared himself in a report to the health authorities.

Mr Soeren Soerensen, the head of the state medical board, has ended all investigations of Dr Ibsen's conduct.

He said that the report had shown that Dr Ibsen had not *deliberately ended the life of* patients.

British football supporters again remanded

Bruges, Sept 3.—Six young supporters of the Manchester United football team, who have been accused of acts of violence in Ostend, were today remanded in custody in Bruges to stand trial either on Friday or Monday, court sources said.

The six were detained on August 3 during incidents before a friendly football match between Manchester United and Ostend.

They appeared briefly before Bruges magistrates today to be informed that the day of their trial depended on the court's calendar, the sources said.

General Franco's return brings a mixed reaction

Madrid, Sept 3.—Spaniards gave a mixed reception today to the announcement that General Franco has taken back the powers which he delegated to Prince Juan Carlos because of illness.

Reactions ranged from exuberant praise in the Government-controlled media to warnings from political liberals that the somewhat unexpected move would increase political tension.

The independent Barcelona newspaper *Vanguardia* said General Franco's comeback *should give new impetus to the* Government to solve "delicate" tasks and prepare a more democratic future.

He took back his powers as chief of state and commander of the armed forces six weeks after he had delegated them to Prince Juan Carlos, his designated successor and future king. He was in hospital for three weeks in July for treatment of a circulatory ailment and gastric complications.

Doctors pronounced him "clinically cured" on Sunday, and on Monday night the Information Ministry released the texts of letters from Señor Carlos Arias, the Prime Minister, to the 36-year-old prince and to parliament informing them of the decision.

"Now that normalcy is re-established and the man who has governed us for 35 years has taken back his responsibilities, there is one potent *motive more for the Govern*ment to tackle actively and rapidly the complex and delicate tasks ahead", *Vanguardia* said. "(It must) solidify a future which is more harmonic, more satisfactory to all, and more democratic."

The state-controlled television network called *General* Franco's return a "guarantee of stability and continuity". The Government newspaper *Arriba* said the general, "in the happy moment of his recovery, has been able to feel the closeness of the whole (Spanish) people".

But many liberals inside and outside the regime felt uneasy about his return. They feared that it will cause a slowing down of a programme of political liberalization recently presented by Señor Arias. The programme had been gaining momentum because many be*lieved General Franco's reign* was over.—UPI

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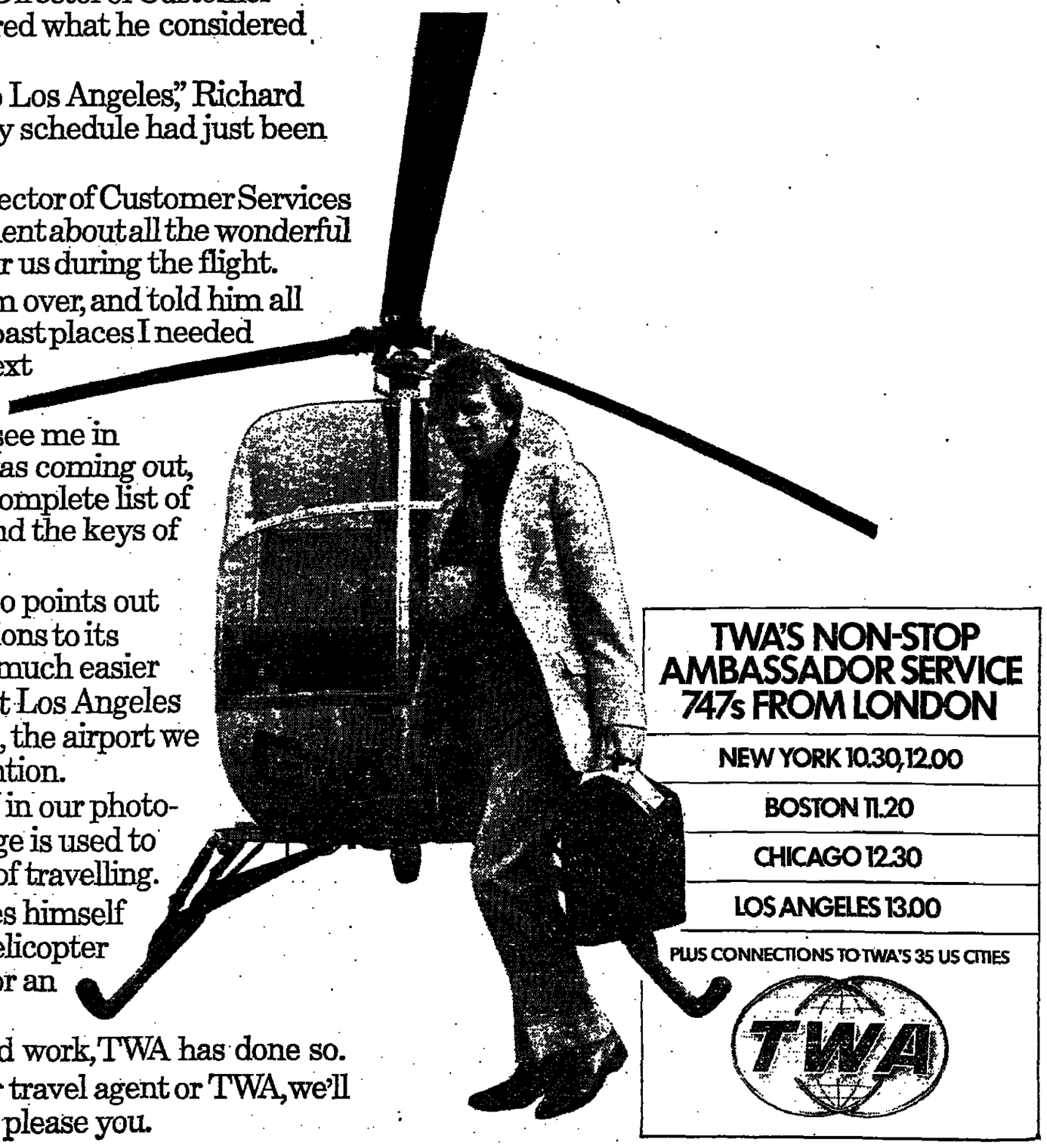
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Israel court is told archbishop used his church status to smuggle arms over border

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv, Sept 3

Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, aged 49, the Greek Catholic Patriarchal Vicar of Jerusalem who was detained last month on suspicion of gunrunning for Al Fatah, was indicted in the district court in Jerusalem today on three counts.

He is liable to 15 years' imprisonment if found guilty on a charge of contact with foreign agents. He is also charged with carrying and possessing arms illegally and with performing services for an unlawful association. Each of these is punishable by 10 years' imprisonment.

The foreign agents allegedly contacted were Mr Abu Jihad, the head of "Black September" and of the military arm of Al Fatah, and Mr Abu Firas, described as one of the senior officers directing Al Fatah operations in Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem.

The archbishop was said to have met the Al Fatah leaders in the home of a relative in Beirut and to have agreed to transfer arms and sabotage materials from Beirut to Jerusalem. His status in the church enabled him to cross the border freely without security checks, it was stated.

The indictment mentions three cases of smuggling weapons. In April he was said to have brought three suitcases containing dozens of demolition blocks; clocks with detonators, grenades, sub-machine guns and three rockets with their launchers. The charge sheet said the materials reached their destination and were used for sabotage activities in Jerusalem.

Details were not given but the list of prosecution witnesses includes Muhammad, Zaki and Zuhayr el Malabi, three brothers arrested on charges of setting up three Katyusha rockets aimed at the Jewish sector of Jerusalem on May 15 and of killing a taxi driver and stuffing his booby-trapped body in his cab filled with a large quantity of explosives in a busy street in Jerusalem. The brothers are awaiting trial.

According to the charges, the archbishop asked the headmaster of the Freres school, Beit Hanina, to get everybody, including the watchman, out of the building on the evening of May 7. At 7.30 pm, the archbishop left the arms consignment in the toilet. He returned at 10 pm and found they had been removed.

This was in accordance with a plan arranged by Mr Firas. In May the archbishop was said to have crossed with another suitcase containing detonators and activating devices. He kept these at his residence and later at the patriarchate until August 10 when he surrendered them to his police interrogators, it was stated.

In July he showed signs of nervousness and told the Al Fatah leaders that it was risky bringing arms in suitcases across the border. Accordingly, Mr Firas borrowed his Mercedes and concealed weapons in the doors, under the mudguards, under the back seat and in the fan case below the windscreen wipers. The consignment included rifles with magazines, various kinds of explosives and detonators, grenades and ammunition.

He crossed the border on July 25 and reached Jerusalem where he waited for a liaison there from Al Fatah to take delivery as arranged with Mr Firas. On August 8 while he was driving his Mercedes in Jerusalem he was stopped by Israel security forces who searched the car and found the arms.

The archbishop was remanded on August 18 for 15 days and the order was extended this week for another 12 days. After his indictment today, he will be brought to the district court tomorrow and the state will request an extension of his detention until the trial.

The Greek Catholics recognize the authority of the Pope but they follow the Byzantine rites and their liturgic language is Arabic. The seat of the Church is Damascus but there is a large diaspora in Europe and America.

The Church has some 30,000 followers in Galilee under Archbishop Joseph Raya and some 4,000 in southern Israel including Jerusalem under the leadership of Archbishop Capucci.



Professor Papandreou announcing the formation of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement at a press conference in Athens.

New socialist movement launched in Greece

From Mario Modiano
Athens, Sept 3

Professor Andreas Papandreou, the son of a former prime minister, announced today the foundation of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement, a political grouping, he said, which aspired to rid Greece of foreign patronage as well as the stranglehold of the domestic economic oligarchy.

He said his new party supported the abolition of the monarchy and non-alignment in foreign affairs. He is likely to be the main political opponent of Mr Constantine Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, in the general elections which are expected this year.

Professor Papandreou, aged 55, an American-trained economist who returned recently to Greece after spending seven years abroad, outlined his objectives at a press conference in Athens.

He implied that he would not welcome general elections before the state machinery had been thoroughly purged of junta-appointed elements. Mr Karamanlis has indicated that his Government proposes to hold elections shortly.

Professor Papandreou said he had nothing against Mr Karamnlis personally, but the power structure which kept him in office "is the same that upheld the junta responsible for the tragedy of Cyprus, the seven years of oppression in Greece, and the slaughter at the Polytechnic." He added: "We cannot trust them."

Asked whether a purge was a condition for elections or elections would pave the way for a purge, he said: "The prerequisite for elections is a purge of the state machinery. It is a fallacy to elieve that there can be a freely elected government if the state machinery stays as it is."

The new movement's short-term objectives included punishment for those responsible for the dictatorship, the leaders and the torturers, a purge of their supporters and collaborators from he Government, and reinstatement of the victims of military rule, as well as the repatriation of refugees from the Greek civil war, now living in eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

In the lonner term, the Panhellenic Socialist Movement would strive for national independence, popular sovereignty, social deliverance, and democratic procedures.

Professor Papandreou was warmly applauded by an audience which included personalities who distinguished themselves in opposition to the dictatorial regime. Former deputies of his father's Centre Union party were present as was Lady Fleming, the widow of the discoverer of penicillin.

In a 12-point declaration of aims and principles, he outlined his vision of a "socialist Greek republic" which would furnish foolproof safeguards against another violation of the people's will.

The declaration proposed the "socialization" of monastery wealth, banks, basic industries and commerce. "All international treaties and agreements which led Greece to economic, political and military dependence on the monopolistic blocks of the West, and particularly American imperialism, are to be abrogated", Professor Papandreou said.

It was planned to introduce a system of farm cooperatives as well as self-management in productive units in the context of broad geographical decentralization. The object would be the equalization of income. The party proposed a national plan for health, education, and pensions, with the abolition of privately owned schools and clinics.

Professor Papandreou endorsed the government's withdrawal from the military structure of Nato but he said this was not enough. "Links with the political side of Nato must be severed and we should oust all American bases which converted our country into a nuclear target without affording us any protection."

Athens, Sept 3.—Mrs Helen Vlachos announced today that she would resume publication of her morning newspaper *Kathimerini* on September 15 Mrs Vlachos shut down *Kathimerini* and an afternoon paper rather than submit to censorship when the Army seized power in 1967.

India snubs China over Sikkim status

From Michael Hornsby
Delhi, Sept 3

India's relations with Sikkim "do not concern anyone else", Foreign Ministry sources in Delhi said today, rebuffing strong Chinese, and milder Nepalese criticism of the proposal for the "association" of the small Himalayan kingdom with the Indian Union.

The constitution (thirty-sixth amendment) Bill introduced by Mr Swaran Singh, the External Affairs Minister, yesterday provides *inter alia* for Sikkim's representation in both Houses of the Indian Parliament and its inclusion in Indian five-year economic development plans.

The Chinese party newspaper, *The People's Daily*, in Peking today denounced the Sikkim Bill as "a flagrant act of colonialist expansion" which had "shocked and infuriated all justice-upholding countries and people".

India was trying in a hurry to legalize its annexation of Sikkim "in disregard of the wishes of its King and people, the newspaper said. In this way, Sikkim would "become an associate state of India and be completely reduced to an Indian colony".

In Katmandu, the capital of Nepal, which shares a border with Sikkim, Mr Gayanendra Karki, the Foreign Minister, expressed his hope in Parliament last night that Sikkim's "traditional entity"—that of an Indian protectorate—would be preserved.

Foreign Ministry sources in Delhi tonight repeated earlier assurances that India had no intention of impairing Sikkim's "distinct personality". The "association" of the kingdom with India was being undertaken at the urging of the popularly-elected Sikkim Assembly.

Earlier, at a press conference in Delhi, Miss Bhuvnesh Kumari, the legal adviser to the Chogyal (ruler) of Sikkim, who is due to arrive in Delhi tomorrow, said that the request submitted by the Chief Minister of Sikkim for representation in the Indian Parliament was "Nor constitutionally valid".

Miss Kumari argued that the chief minister and the Indian-nominated Chief Executive, who has the final decision in all policy matters, had submitted the request—based on a resolution passed by the Sikkim Assembly at the end of June—without first seeking the assent of the Chogyal, who is strongly opposed to any change in Sikkim's status.

This, however, seems little more than a procedural quibble. Under the Government of Sikkim Act, to which he gave his assent in July, the Chogyal is reduced to a purely ceremonial figurehead. He is required only to give formal approval to measures decided upon by the Sikkim Assembly or the Chief Executive.



The Very Reverend Timothy Bavin: a diplomat in a sensitive post.

New Bishop of Johannesburg wins approval

Johannesburg, Sept 3.—The Very Reverend Timothy Bavin has been elected Bishop of Johannesburg, one of the most sensitive Anglican posts in South Africa. He was chosen by a Diocesan assembly last night to succeed the Right Reverend Leslie Stradling, who retired recently.

The British-born Bishop-elect came to Johannesburg in February, 1972, to succeed the Very Reverend Gonville ffrench-Beytagh as Dean of St Mary's Cathedral. Mr ffrench-Beytagh left South Africa after being acquitted by the Appeal Court of charges under the Republic's wide-ranging Terrorism Act.

Mr Bavin, who adopted a less outspoken stance than his predecessor at St Mary's, is regarded as a diplomat who will try to avoid antagonising the Government at a time of strained church-state relations. Educated at Rugby and Oxford, he was appointed Curate at St Alban's Cathedral in Pretoria in 1961. He returned to England in 1969 and became a parish priest in Brighton before his appointment to St Mary's.—Reuter.

Dissident religious writer free to leave Russia

Moscow, Sept 3.—Mr Anatoli Levitin-Krasnov, a leading dissident religious writer, has received permission to emigrate from the Soviet Union, his friends said today.

They said that the writer, who is 58 and a prominent campaigner for human rights, yesterday collected an exit visa formally made out for emigration to Israel. He would leave on Thursday week.

Mr Levitin-Krasnov is an Orthodox Christian. He has spent a total of about 10 years in prison in connexion with his writings. The friends did not say why he was heading for Israel. He has never been associated with the Jewish movement in the Soviet Union.

However, his name of Levitin (Krasnov is a pen name) suggests Jewish connexions, and Israel has frequently served as a channel for Soviet emigrants bound elsewhere.

In March Mr Levitin-Krasnov was refused permission to leave for the United States at the invitation of the Russian Orthodox Metropolitan of San Francisco.

In a large number of books and articles—most of them published only in the West—Mr Levitin-Krasnov has attacked the Soviet attitude to religious belief and criticized the contemporary role of the Russian Orthodox Church in the Soviet Union.

He was imprisoned in a labour camp from 1949 to 1956, and though later rehabilitated was deprived in 1958 of the right to teach in schools.

Arrested again in 1969, he spent a year in jail without coming to trial and was again released. But investigations continued, and in May, 1971, he was jailed for three years on charges including violations of the laws on the separation of church and state. He was released early last year.

Philippines bishops urge end of martial law

Manila, Sept 3.—The Philippines Roman Catholic Church today called on President Marcos to lift martial law, restore civil rights and "end the climate of fear".

Eighty-one bishops of the oldest and most powerful church in the country asked for this in a letter handed to President Marcos during a meeting at the Presidential palace.

Last week soldiers raided a suburban Roman Catholic monastery and arrested a priest and 20 other people as alleged subversives.

A Church spokesman said the letter was actually drafted by the bishops during the semi-annual meeting held last July by the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines which represents the Church hierarchy.

In their letter, the bishops urged that "bold steps be taken gradually to lift martial law and many of the restrictions on freedom brought about by martial law".

The bishops admitted that there had been improvements in the Philippines economy and in the law and order situation under martial law. But they pointed out the "dimensions of an evil, perhaps unintended but certainly flowing from the logic of martial law".

This was "the climate of fear which has gradually crept into every sector of our society". Under martial law workers dared not organize themselves into free unions or press for higher wages and better working conditions.

The bishops expressed fear that this "climate of fear" had invaded even the schools and universities.—Agence France-Presse.

SW Africa trials hears jail torture allegations

From Michael Knipe
Cape Town, Sept 3

Allegations of torture were made today when Mr David Meroro, chairman of the South-West Africa People's Organization, was brought to trial in Windhoek, on charges of being in possession of banned literature.

Captain Jan Griebenauw, a security police officer, said in evidence that five copies of an African communist magazine were found when Mr Meroro's home and shop were searched in February.

Cross examining Captain Griebenauw, defence counsel, Mr David Soggot, said Mr Meroro would say in evidence that during interrogation by the South African police, his hands were tied behind his back and he was suspended from a rail with a rope.

Captain Griebenauw said he knew nothing of such things. He also denied he had told Mr Meroro that he would be flown to the Caprivi Strip region in a helicopter and thrown to the crocodiles.

Because of South-West Africa's status as a mandated territory, diplomatic observers from the United States, Britain, West Germany and Australia were present in the regional court as the trial began.

Mr Meroro's arrest came after several demonstrations by supporters of the Swapo independence movement and township rioting last year. He was held in custody for five months until his release on bail in July.

Mr Soggot said Mr Meroro would allege he was threatened with dirty language, deprived of sleep and food, slapped repeatedly and forced to stand during interrogation.

Captain Griebenauw said, under cross-examination, that a team of detectives interrogated Mr Meroro. He denied that Mr Meroro was forced to stand for an entire day. He had stood at some stage, but not as a punishment. He was told to rise "out of politeness" when a new interrogator entered the room.

Discussing the international dispute over the control of South-West Africa in the South African House of Assembly yesterday Mr Vorster, the Prime Minister, said his Government would not leave South Africa in the lurch.

His words seemed intended as an assurance primarily for the 90,000 whites there that are now facing a plight similar to those in Portuguese Africa.

More voices call on President Banzer to bring back constitutional rule sooner than he plans

Bolivia's civilian leaders turn on the heat

From Stuart Stirling
Buenos Aires, Sept 3

The recent upsurge of criticism from Bolivia's civilian political leaders over President Hugo Banzer's proposed date of October, 1975, for the country's return to constitutional government, precipitated a Cabinet crisis last Friday which led to General Banzer's offer to resign from the Presidency.

However, his decision later that day to stay in office—at the insistence of the commanders of the armed forces has left his civilian-military coalition Government more dependent than ever on the support of the conservative military hierarchy.

General Banzer has gradually isolated from effective power the two political parties within his Government, the National Revolutionary Movement (MNR) and the Falange.

Both parties are at present represented in government by sectarian leaders, who are themselves at odds with the two heads of their respective movements. They are former President Victor Paz Estenssoro of the MNR and Señor Mario Gutierrez of the Falange.

Dr Paz Estenssoro is at present in exile in Peru and Señor Gutierrez recently lost his post as foreign minister.

The Falange and the MNR in alliance with right-wing elements of the armed forces brought General Banzer to power in 1971 in a revolution which overthrew the leftist Government of General Juan José Torres.

Last week, Señor Gutierrez called for an amnesty for all and urged the President to bring forward the date for elections. Señor Gutierrez was recently nominated by his party as a candidate for the forthcoming elections, replacing General Banzer on the Falange ticket.

On Thursday, Señor Ciro Humboldt, deputy leader of the MNR, made a clandestine appearance in La Paz from exile and held a press conference during which he reiterated a demand for early elections and amnesty for the country's opposition parties. A warrant for his arrest has been issued by the Government.

Yet another political element which, in the long run may prove a far greater threat to General Banzer than the civilian opposition parties, are the nationalistically-minded group of young officers who were responsible for an abortive coup last June.

This sector of the armed forces are at present licking their wounds in guarded silence from the sidelines of power. One of their leaders, Colonel Gary Prado Salmon, is in a military prison and other rebels have been demoted. The young officers are believed to favour a more centralist political stand and the setting up of a junta which would pave the way for immediate elections.

However, in a country which has witnessed more governments than it has marked up years as a republic, General Banzer is still hanging on to the reins of power in the wake of crisis and coups which his Interior Minister has termed as "communist inspired".

Drivers charged over train crash in Zagreb

Zagreb, Sept 3.—The Yugoslav public prosecutor today charged with negligence the two drivers of a Dortmund-bound express train which crashed at high speed as it approached Zagreb station last Friday. At least 124 people were killed and more than 50 injured.

Mr Slobodan Katarac said the charges were being brought under a section of the Yugoslav criminal code citing "grave offences against public safety and property". If convicted, the drivers—Nikola Knezevic and Stjepan Varga—face maximum jail terms of 20 years.

Mr Katarac said an investigation showed that the express train was travelling at more than 56 mph when the nine cars jumped the rails. The speed limit for that stretch of the line was 31 mph.

Outcry in Japan over leak on board nuclear ship

From Peter Hazelhurst
Tokyo, Sept 3

Japan's long-range plans to build a nuclear powered mercantile fleet suffered a serious setback today when civic leaders and fisherman throughout the country declared that a prototype vessel, the 8,214-ton Mutsu, would be prevented from entering its home port or other Japanese harbours after it returns from an ill-fated test voyage in the Pacific this week.

The initial test of Japan's first nuclear ship was abruptly terminated during the weekend after a leak of radioactivity was detected when its reactor was fired for the first time last week. The report has come as a traumatic shock to a nation which still lives with the vivid memory of Hiroshima.

The Mutsu was launched in 1969, but failed to leave on its test voyage until last week because fishermen threw a flotilla of small boats round the nuclear-powered ship to blockade it in its northern home port of Mutsu, in Aomori prefecture, for three years.

The ship managed to evade the blockade when it left the port at midnight during a storm

Reports that the test voyage was subsequently called off because of a radioactive leak above the ship's reactor, has increased the fears of the fishing industry that the advent of nuclear-powered vessels will contaminate marine life

The Government, embarrassed because it has constantly assured the fishing industry that fears of nuclear contamination are unfounded, has ordered an exhaustive investigation.

US-China links discussed in Peking talks

Peking, Sept 3.—A group of seven American congressmen headed by Senator Fulbright, today had talks lasting 90 minutes with Mr Chiao Kuan-hua, the Chinese Deputy Foreign Minister.

An American source said that they "almost exclusively" concerned American-Chinese relations and allowed an "introduction into some of the problems". At the request of the congressmen, the content of today's meeting will not be divulged. Mr Chiao has proposed a further meeting tomorrow.

Senator Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, presented "greetings from President Ford", but apparently there was no mention of a message to the Chinese leaders from the President himself.—Agence France-Presse.

Second thoughts on Mr Mao on Confucius

Peking, Sept 3.—The writings of Chairman Mao tse-Tung may soon undergo some small but significant changes.

A document circulating in the diplomatic community and purporting to be issued by the Chinese Communist Party's Central Committee, says that certain references to Confucius, the targer of a national campaign of criticism, will be deleted.

Mao's works are sprinkled with quotes from and references to the ancient sage, although several Western scholars have pointed out that the rebellious spirit shown by Mr Mao since childhood is hardly in sympathy with the Confucian ideal of harking back to the past.—Reuter.

Ceylon move for ban on English

From Our Correspondent
Colombo, Sept 3

The Ceylon Government parliamentary group today unanimously resolved that the Minister of Justice should withdraw the Supreme Court's privilege of conducting its proceedings in English.

Members told the Minister, Mr Felix Dias Bandaranaike, that as legislation was enacted in Sinhala court proceedings should be in the same language, especially in the Supreme Court.

El Al workers end wildcat action

Tel Aviv, Sept 3.—Maintenance workers employed by the Israel airline El Al have decided to resume normal work after six days of wildcat strikes

Concorde on show

Singapore, Sept 3.—Concorde flew here today in 3 hours 38 minutes at the end of a series of hot weather trials in Bahrain. It will make a demonstration flight tomorrow.—AP.

Rodent threat to Kenya birds

Nairobi, Sept 3.—Naturalists are worried about a possible new danger to bird life on Kenya's lake Naivasha. It is the coypu, a Latin American rodent imported in the 1950s in an attempt to establish a fur farm.

When the attempt failed, they were released and eventually found their way to the lake, in the Great Rift valley about 50 miles from Nairobi.—Reuter.

Locust threat to S Australia

Adelaide, Sept 3.—The South Australian Government today asked for army help to prevent a locust plague in the state threatening millions of acres of ripening cereal crops and pastures.

Mr Casey, the Minister of Agriculture, said that chemicals worth at least SA250,000 (about £156,000) would be sprayed on locust breeding grounds.

Frelimo ready to take over Beira

Beira, Sept 3.—Mozambique Liberation Front (Frelimo) forces are ready to move in and take over the port of Beira when the military, political and strategic conditions are right, a local Frelimo leader, Mr Anastacio Anajambala, announced here today.

Mr Anajambala, the "political commissar" for Frelimo here, was speaking at a Frelimo base outside the city. He is organizing Frelimo activities which extend more than 105 miles along the coast from Beira to Muanza.

He also announced that Frelimo had "sacked" the traditional African chiefs in the area and was now training new leaders, including detachments of women.

He appealed to whites to remain in Mozambique and said that before moving into Beira Frelimo forces were undertaking the political re-education of the African population.

"We want to tell people ourselves", he said "that the whites must stay as we will need all Portuguese with a revolutionary spirit to help us in the education of the masses:

"Politically, our aim is the transfer of powers to Frelimo. But we will not stop at a switch of government officials as we are engaged in a revolutionary transfer from a government of exploiting minorities to a government of the exploited majority."

As the Frelimo forces, estimated at hundreds of men and women, prepare to march on Beira the Portuguese security forces have been carrying out a dragnet operation to disarm groups in the city opposed to Frelimo.

At the weekend police confiscated four pistols, two hand grenades, two shotguns and two rifles at four checkpoints set up in Beira. The operation followed reports that extremist organizations had been smuggling weapons into Beira for a counter-coup.

Sabotage last week of the power line from the Cabora Bassa dam to South Africa has led to fresh speculation here that an organization which is defying both Frelimo and the Portuguese Army is at work in the territory.

A Frelimo regional commander has strongly denied any responsibility for the explosions which smashed two pylons in the Tete district.

There has been considerable speculation here as to who is responsible for these explosions. Some of the newspapers have been blaming extreme right-wing movements, while others blame anarchists. Some observers think it is likely that the explosions were caused by people opposed to the relatively conciliatory views expressed by Frelimo leaders in Dar es Salaam this week.

Four men were wounded, one seriously, when a policeman opened fire on thousands of rioting black labourers at an isolated British-owned sugar estate 131 miles north-east of here yesterday, the authorities confirmed here today.

The riot broke out during a mass demonstration by workers at the Sena plantation demanding better pay and working conditions. The estate is owned by Tate and Lyle.

The policeman opened fire with his sub-machine gun to prevent the labourers from molesting the wife of a white compounds supervisor, whom they dragged from her home.

Brazzaville, Sept 3.—A dissident faction of the Peoples Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) was reported to have recognized the right of the Cabinda enclave to self-determination.

The Cabinda Enclave Liberation Front (FLEC) said its leaders had met a delegation of the MPLA faction yesterday. The MPLA delegation had agreed that the future of Cabinda was best determined by the Cabinda population itself.

The two movements had also decided to set up a joint commission to work out the basis of future cooperation between Cabinda and Angola.

The 16-nation summit meeting of east and central African heads of state ended its three-day session in Brazzaville this evening by making an urgent appeal to the Angola Liberation Movement to unite.

It also asked Portugal to proceed at once with the transfer of power to the people of its African territories and expressed its concern at military cooperation between France and South Africa.—Agence France-Presse and Reuter.

Ethiopia ex-governor killed in gun battle

Addis Ababa, Sept 3.—Mr Tsehayu Enqo Selassie, the former governor of Kefa province and a staunch supporter of Emperor Haile Selassie who had been hiding in the countryside for two months, has been killed and his brother captured, it was announced today.

An armed forces committee announcement, broadcast on Ethiopia radio, said the former governor and "symbol of the ruling class" was killed in an exchange of fire with a contingent of the territorial army at a place in Selale district north of Addis Ababa.

The exchange of fire followed the refusal of Mr Tsehayu to surrender when the contingent contacted him at a private house early yesterday. His brother, Mr Taddesse Enqo Selassie and a number of accomplices were captured.

This is the first incident in which a wanted prominent official has been killed since Ethiopia's armed forces began a series of arrests of Government leaders and their step-by-step takeover of control of the country at the beginning of last July.

Meanwhile, the Emperor seemed to be standing practically alone in the face of attacks by street demonstrators, the radio and press.

Yesterday's anti-Emperor demonstrations, the first, came as a shock to the capital and although the military coordination committee has banned any more of them without its own authorization, it put out a communiqué today saying it appreciated the support shown by the people for the objectives of its "quiet revolution".

The Amharic language press announced that the country's highly politicized student body will be mobilized for a mass education programme in the countryside under a national education and self-help programme.

The students will take part in a mass literacy campaign, part of a programme which also includes training in basic agricultural techniques, health, and cooperative ventures to improve the lot of the country's more than 20 million peasants, the press reports said.—Agence France-Presse.

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THE ARTS

Opera in the round

Drömmen om Therese
Gateway, Edinburgh

William Mann

Operas written during the last decade or so do not get high priority in international festivals: the demand for tickets is unlikely to be high. Hats may be taken off to Edinburgh Festival for contriving to bring here an opera just 10 years old, by the Swedish composer Lars Johan Werle.

The Royal Swedish Opera are already here to perform more traditional operas: Werle's *Dreaming about Therese* (billed not quite accurately, perhaps off-puttingly, as *The Vision of Theresa*) has won some international *réclame* during the past decade and, as probably the first opera conceived for performance in the round, it is designed to play to small audiences who sit in rows facing the tiny circular stage, the orchestra being placed in groups behind the spectators. Monday's audience at the Gateway did, as it happened, overspill into the studio's regular seating accommodation, where *much of the opera's spatial* music must have been altered in effect.

The plot derives from Emile Zola's short story *Pour une nuit d'amour*. Thérèse, pretty young daughter of a rich family, returns home after 10 year's schooling in a convent. She is loved by her childhood playmate, now an unlovely hunchback, and by the postal clerk who lives alone next door, plays the flute to himself, and dreams of this high-born beauty beyond his reach. The convent has not tamed Thérèse: she has become a vain, evil-tempered widow-*spider who thrashes and* finally slaughters the adoring hunchback, then calls the flute-player to dispose of the corpse, in return promising him enjoyment of her body for one night. It does not work out: she would have been incapable of offering or *expressing love; he, shy and* conscious-stricken by his guilty task, drowns himself in the river after dumping the corpse there. Thérèse goes ahead and makes an advantageous marriage.

This nasty tale has some advantages for a composer working in the round. Julien, the *postal clerk and protagonist*, does not speak much but mostly soliloquises while playing the flute: his thoughts can be sung on tape and sent revolving round the ceiling of the theatre, as his flute-playing also is. The flute is an audible link with the house next door. The drama can be, or rather is, played out with almost no scenery, situations being suggested by the orchestral music emanating from one part of the auditorium or another.

All this is evocatively done, and Werle's music for it is vocally attractive (virtuoso for Edith Thallaug's virulent Thérèse, touchingly lyrical for Julien as sung by Erik Saeden), *adventurous and resourceful* though not outlandish in manner—it might be described as left-of-centre middle-of-the-road. I liked especially the wrap-round unison violins for hero and anti-heroine, and the dialogues for piano, harp, and on-stage guitar.

There was much to enjoy and admire and find stimulating. The piece does seem long when performed in a foreign language. Our own Phoenix Opera seems to be interested in *Dreaming about Therese*. It would suit their function as a peripatetic opera group and, in *English, may interest a new sort* of audience.

The Tooth of Crime
Cambridge Street Theatre, Edinburgh

The Mummenschanz Company
Church Hill Theatre Edinburgh

Irving Wardle

The first of these productions (which occupies the slot for experimental theatre in the official Edinburgh programme) offers the most ironic collision I have yet witnessed between a playwright and an acting group.

On one hand we have Sam Shepard's text, familiar to London audiences as a ritual combat *between two pop stars* whose styles are determined by dialogue combining the idioms of music, gang warfare, and big business, and by the author's own rock score. On the other, we have the New York Performance Group, a collective with a particular interest in ritual action and environmental relationships.

To digress a little, TPG is the creation of Richard Schechner, the erudite and iconoclastic *former editor of The Drama Review*, who five years ago took the plunge from theory into physical practice with a Euripidean carve-up called *Dionysus 69*. That, by all accounts, was a pretty savage show. Since then, their gesture towards the public has evidently changed from a clenched fist to a hand open in friendship. And it is here that the ironies begin.

Shepard's play picks up a fluid aural tradition and converts it into a precise literary shape. Schechner's group now proceed to unscramble it according to their anti-literary bias. Shepard prescribes electronic music: but the group aesthetic requires them to create all their own effects, so instead of electric guitars we have voices and home-made instruments.

Again, the play is an aristocratic work: it presents a battle of kings and confronts the spectator arrogantly and from a distance. The group now democratise it, both in relation to the audience and between the characters. In place of Hoss's throne room there is a three-storey scaffold with an upper gallery. You cannot see the whole show from any single point, but you can wander all over the set with full approval from the cast, who stop performing between scenes to invite you to move around. As for the internal relationships, the cold-blooded public relations world of the play has changed to a relaxed domestic atmosphere where flights into the grotesque regularly descend to low-keyed naturalistic conversations.

The group present themselves as story-tellers, but anyone coming fresh to the play would find it hard to follow the story. The mask-like roles, the stylistic contrasts, and the sense of a crucial conflict are *missing*. Separately, though, there are many things to admire. The duel itself—between Timothy Shelton's fast-talking Crow and Spalding Gray's mad-dog Hoss—is beautifully worked out in opposing jazz rhythms: here at least the style match comes to life. At many points the text has been interestingly stretched into the actors' personal fantasies; and Joan Macintosh offers a superb demonstration of group acting—moving at ease between principal and chorus work, before arriving at her hilarious autoseduction with one arm predatorily encased in a Hells' Angel jacket. Even in the wrong play, this is the best *American group I have seen* since the Open Theatre.

The Mummenschanz Company are a young Swiss-Italian mime trio, who specialize in mask-*transformations*; and their athletic performance is no less striking than their weird wardrobe of black tubular bags, geometric headgear, and imaginary animals. They often appear as two-headed creatures with one head in conflict with the other. And it comes as a repeated shock to see how soon an abstract object—such as a segmented white tube—can take on a life of its own. The group also play some original variations on facial masks: as in a sketch for two lovers who start devouring each other's faces *with knives and forks*, and a final duel in which Andres Bossard and Bernie Schurch assault each other's elegantly modelled features and reduce them to crumpled ruins with huge pathetic eye-holes.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Museum on Hadrian's Wall

The northernmost part of England, comprising the counties of Cumberland, Northumberland, Westmorland and Durham, has a surprising number of enterprising small non-commercial galleries and arts centres. The survival of these is partly due to the support of the Northern Arts Association, one of the first and the liveliest of the regional arts associations which so often act more humanly and intelligently than the central bureaucracy of the Arts Council. But they owe their origin and their tenacity to the dedication of the individuals who have laboured to get and keep them going. It is probably no coincidence that so many of these centres should have sprung up in the poorest and least privileged part of England. From the mouth of the Tyne to the Solway Firth, across the neck of Britain, are the Brewery Arts Centre in Kendal, the Bede Gallery in Jarrow, the Sunderland Arts Centre, the Spectro Arts Workshop in Whitley Bay, and several more springing up. Many of these are as much concerned with the performing arts as with the visual ones, but generally their origins, and those of the people who run them, lie in the visual arts.

The most unexpected and unusual is the LYC Museum at Banks, a small hamlet along the by-road which at this point follows the course of Hadrian's Wall, about four miles from the small Cumberland town of Brampton and about 15 from Carlisle. Its remote situation and the totally unacademic contrasts between the antiquities, crafts and contemporary works which it contains, gives the museum an extraordinary and exhilarating atmosphere.

Li Yuan Chia, who started and runs the LYC Museum singlehanded, is a Chinese artist who lived and worked in Bologna for some years before moving to London, where he had exhibitions at the Signals Gallery and the Lisson Gallery in the Sixties. A few years ago Li decided to leave behind the London art world and moved up to Cumberland where he worked for a while on his own before opening his museum on the Roman wall.

The premises, an old farmhouse, were given by Winifred Nicholson, the painter and first wife of Ben Nicholson, who lives near by. Li has converted this almost entirely single-handed, doing virtually all the manual work himself. On an earlier visit, I found him at first light on a bitter Borders November morning digging a drainage trench around the museum. He had been at work since about six in the morning, as is his wont.

Li's capacity for hard work has won him the respect of the local people, farmers mostly. "You'd never get an Englishman work like that", they have been known to say. When I asked him whether he like living by Hadrian's Wall because it reminded him of the Great Wall of China, Li laughed. "Much bigger", he said. But then so is China itself.

Although the museum's name is Li's own initials, he is an entirely modest and unassuming man who welcomes his visitors—and there are a surprising number of them, usually over 50 a day in summer—breaking off from sawing a piece of blockboard or painting a ceiling to talk about the work on show in the museum. This ranges from Roman remains excavated from near the wall, Victorian drawings, rugs woven by local women, to abstract paintings by European artists like Jean Helion, Cesar Domela, Hans Hartung and Antonio Calderara, kinetic pieces by Takis and J.-R. Soto and works by Chinese artists. Li also has a small section of his own productions, which include a series of movable magnetic pieces which visitors are invited to touch and children immediately delight in.



Li Yuan Chia and magnetic sculpture

The museum is painted white throughout; the work is displayed sparely and simply. The atmosphere is one of great calm and restfulness, the silence broken only by the call of a sheep or a cow in the fields of neighbouring farms. The windows give wide views of the beautiful Border countryside.

Many of the people who visit the museum have no idea what to expect, attracted by the simple black-and-white sign which points into the former farmyard from the road: "LYC Museum," and underneath, "Free & Parking". Perhaps they expect something specifically connected with the Roman Wall. But it is clear from the visitors' book that, though unexpected, the experience is, for many, exciting, surprising and stimulating. People who probably would not enter an art gallery in a city are lured in and, although sometimes puzzled, do not at all feel they are patronized or intellectually excluded.

Virtually the only criticisms among the many comments I looked through were that some would have liked more written explanations of the works. Li certainly wants some help in running the museum, and he desperately needs an assistant to take some of the load off his own back. As it is he can rarely leave the museum which from April to October is open daily from 9 am to 7 pm. Although he has been given grants by the Gulbenkian Foundation, the Northern Arts Association, the Arts Council and the English Tourist Board to help run the museum and to pay for materials for the new space for the performing arts which he has made, there is not enough money to pay the salary of an assistant.

When I visited the museum last Friday, Li was busy building the staircase from the new room to the gallery space above it. This room for the performing arts will be available to any group or individual who wants to use it. Li is open to any ideas or suggestions. Upstairs he is working on a library. He hopes to have books, tapes and slides here which people will be able to come and look through. What will be available clearly depends on how much he can get from grants and on any gifts from individuals. Donations of books on the arts, archaeology, local history and related subjects would be welcomed. They will help to complete this peaceful and delightful little museum.

Hadrian's Wall was an outpost of a far-flung empire, a barrier to prevent the invasion of one culture by another. The LYC Museum is a meeting point of different cultures, of time and place. It works surprisingly and wonderfully well.

Paul Overy

Art for every taste

The Scottish Arts Council exhibition *Art Then* at the Council's Charlotte Square gallery is of work produced between 1924 and 1940 by eight English artists, Barbara Hepworth, Henry Moore, Paul Nash, Ben Nicholson, John Piper, Ceri Richards, Alfred Wallis, and Christopher Wood. The picture this presents of English art between the wars is the conventional one out of the art history books. It needs to be corrected, which it is, conveniently, by the work of this period included in an exhibition at the Talbot Rice Centre, Edinburgh University. *Aspects of Abstract Painting in Britain 1910-1960* has some good paintings by relatively unknown artists such as Cecil Stephenson and Alistair Morton, who was the art director of Edinburgh Weavers.

One wonders why the Scottish Arts Council could not have made a more imaginative selection r

SPORT

Athletics

Return of a true Russian racer

From Neil Allen
Athletics Correspondent
Rome, Sept 3

The red vest and blond head of Russia's Olympic sprint champion, Valeriy Borzov, dipped first at the tape in the Olympic stadium here today to retain his European 100 metres title, and the crowd paid tribute to a true racer. For me the return of this great competitor to the top was the high point of a day in which Britain had much to be pleased about, including a bronze medal for Andrea Lynch in the women's 100 metres and the completely relaxed qualification of the 18-year-old Steven Ovett for the 800 metres men's final tomorrow.

Borzov, it should be stressed, never looked convincingly a gold medal man for 80 of his 100 metres test. He had a reasonable start and smooth pick-up but it was not until the last three or four strides that he swooped through to the front and dipped on the line to deprive Mennea, of Italy, of the championship willed for him by so many of the excitable Roman supporters. Borzov's time was given as 10.27sec with Mennea recording 10.34sec.

In no way, except for coolness under fire, was the Borzov we saw today the peerless double sprint champion of Munich, 1972. The Russian made that clear during the interview he gave here before these championships started.

He insisted then: "I am not a robot, or a machine made for beating records. It is true I have done nothing outstanding since the Olympics. But I believe that after eight years of intensive preparation and competitions of the highest standard that I have the right to breathe a little. Following Munich I was saturated by athletics and the repsonsibility became crushing."

Last season, says Borzov, was a year of transition for him, but he became greatly encouraged in March of this year when he won the European indoor title over 60 metres in Göteborg and decided he might still be the best when it came to Rome. Watching him move so fluently today, I remembered his final comment last week: "I have worked on strength and pure speed, but I continue to search at all times for the relaxation which is obsolutely vital to sprinting."

The women's 100 metres title went today to Irena Szewinska, of Poland, who earlier this season showed amazing range by becoming the first woman to beat 50sec for the 400 metres. On the Rome track, she defeated Renate Stecher, of East Germany, who had dominated the Munich Olympic sprints but now found the long legs of the Polish champion leaving her in second place.

Still ahead of Mrs Szewinska, who has been winning Olympic medals since 1964, is the 200 metres here and probably a chance of medals in both the 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 metres relays. Miss Lynch, too, who had a excellent start today and was well clear of the fourth girl, will be out to do well for Britain later in the 4 x 100 metres relay.



Gold medal and world record with one throw by Ruth Fuchs, winning the javelin event in Rome.

Alan Pascoe shrugged off the mental shadows caused by his recent injury as he qualified for the 400 metres hurdles final today, but the most impressive of all Britain's athletes in action was young Ovett as he won his semi-final round of the 800 metres in 1min 47.1sec looking almost as though he was out for a stroll even though the second man was the dangerous Yugoslav, Susanj, who must still be among the favourites for the title tomorrow. Ovett, having coasted along the home straight, with a glance back to make sure he was not too closely challenged, said afterwards: "It was much easier than I expected, and I have now achieved what I came here for. Anything better in the final will be a complete bonus."

In contrast with his coolness had been the sultry, oppressive atmosphere earlier for the women's long jump and javelin as the girls sheltered under sunshades and dabbed ineffectually at themselves with towels. But the claustrophobic weather did not stop an outstanding effort in the javelin by the East German captain, Ruth Fuchs, as she achieved a world record distance of 220ft 6in, and made me recall her previous world record just a year ago in the Meadowbank stadium at Edinburgh on the occasion of the European Cup final.

Britain's only defending European champion, David Jenkins, looked this evening as though he would still have a useful part to play in his final tomorrow as he won a semi-final round race in which both he and the West German, Hermann, were keeping their powder dry in the last 30 metres by refusing to go all out.

Roger Mills, of Britain, collapsed at the finish of the 20 kilometres walk here this evening after staggering the final lap of the track to take fourth place and, after having been caught by officials as he sagged to the ground, was carried off on a stretcher.

After the cheers for the winner, Golubnici, of the Soviet Union, the crowd gasped in horror as Mills made his agonized journey, head rolling and eyes half closed towards the finish. His final faltering steps were obviously the result of competing for so long on a day when humidity was announced as being 95 per cent and the temperature more than 26 degrees centigrade.

Brendan Foster Britain's favourite for the 5,000 metres may not be able to compete. The world two miles and 3,000 metres record-holder is suffering from intestinal pains which have stopped him training. But he hopes to line up for the heats which start on Friday night.

Cricket

Worcestershire are champions as the gods deny Hampshire

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

Worcestershire became the new county champions just before three o'clock yesterday afternoon when the match between Hampshire and Yorkshire was finally abandoned without a ball being bowled. It was irrelevant, after that, that there was no play at Chelmsford on the last day of the match between Worcestershire and Essex.

As a final bitter irony the umpires at Bournemouth had just decided that play should start at three o'clock when it rained for the first time for three hours and a half. It was as though the gods, on no account, were prepared to give Hampshire one last chance of winning. Of their last eight days' cricket five have been washed out by rain, when even an hour or two's play would have provided them with what few points they needed to be sure of the title.

Yesterday, once that last squall had come, not all the world's sunshine or all the world's wind would have dried up the ground in time for anything useful to be achieved by playing. Gilliat had wanted to play earlier and thought it fit to do so. Hampshire, captaining Yorkshire in Boycott's absence, had not, because of the state of the ground. Both points of view were understandable, though I doubt whether Yorkshire can expect much magnanimity from Hampshire for a year or two.

With Roberts bringing a new element to their attack there is not much doubt that Hampshire have been the side of the season. Of their 10 victories five have been by an innings, as two more might have been but for the rain. By almost any of the recent scoring systems they would have won the title. Yet in commiserating with Hampshire it would be wrong not to applaud Worcestershire for taking advantage of the chance the weather gave them.

They, too, are a very good side at their best; well led by Gifford, with a pair of first rate opening bowlers in Holder and Brain, an insatiable and sometimes brilliant batsman in Turner, an all-rounder whom any captain would welcome in his side in D'Oliveira, and four other batsmen—Headley, Ormrod, Yardley and Parker—who have all had their moments. By the way they overcame their injuries they proved their resilience. With Hemsley and Imran Khan regularly available, if ever they should be, in the near future, they would fear no one. Worcestershire, by the way, have won the title twice before, in 1964, and 1965, when Gifford, D'Oliveira, Ormrod, Headley and Brain all also played a part.

It is of course, no coincidence that these two sides, Worcestershire and Hampshire, have lost no one all season to Test calls, as their rivals have. Sides like Northamptonshire, Kent and Surrey, have been badly deprived in this way. With a glut of one-day cricket and fewer championship matches than there used to be the leading England players are too rarely seen in three-day county matches these days. Next year, by agreeing to play four Test matches against Australia after the one-day World Cup, the administrators have missed a great chance of giving precedence to the championship.

One point Gilliat made yesterday after conceding defeat was the injustice, as he saw it, of the fine (£500 from the players and £500 from the club) that awaits Hampshire for not having averaged 18½ overs to the hour throughout the season. In the running for the championship right from the start they have never been able to boost their over rate by bowling spinners for the sake of it, though when I have seen them they have never dawdled.

The trouble lies not so much with them as with the exaggerated emphasis on faster bowling in the modern game, and it is no consolation whatever for a county side such as Hampshire, upon being fined, to see Test cricketers getting away with an average of 14 or 15 overs to the hour. It really is time something was done about this, though you would never think so when England see their way to picking five fast bowlers to take on tour.

Derby v Somerset

AT DERBY

Derbyshire (6 pts) drew with Somerset (3).

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

*J. B. Bolus, run out		23
A. Hill, c Burgess, b Cartwright		10
†L. G. Rowe, c Close, b Cartwright		16
M. H. Page, b Botham		2
G. Miller, l-b-w, b Botham		39
S. Venkataraghavan, c Taylor, b Cartwright		28
A. J. Harvey-Walker, hit wkt, b Jones		34
P. E. Russell, c Parks, b Cartwright		13
K. Stevenson, not out		3
A. Ward, not out		5
Extras (b 4, l-b 4, n-b 2)		10
Total (8 wkts dec, 89.3 overs)		200

M. Hendrick did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—32, 2—36, 3—54, 4—54, 5—102, 6—151, 7—155, 8—185.

BOWLING: Jones, 20.3—4—59—1; Botham, 20—8—28—2; Burgess, 12—5—29—0; Cartwright, 32—17—63—4; Langford, 5—1—9—0.

Second Innings

J. B. Bolus, c Richards, b Langford	30
A. Hill, not out	11
L. G. Rowe, c Richards, b Denning	5
A. J. Harvey-Walker, not out	11
Total (2 wkts)	57

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—38, 2—50.

BOWLING: Jones, 1—0—4—0; Cartwright, 8—0—11—0; Langford, 10—1—19—1; Breakwell, 6—2—16—0; Denning, 1—1—1—1; Richards, 4—2—4—0; Parks, 0.3—0—0—0.

SOMERSET: First Innings

†D. J. S. Taylor, c Russell, b Stevenson	36
G. I. Burgess, c Venkataraghavan, b Russell	8
P. W. Denning, c Hendrick, b Miller	28
V. A. Richards, c Russell, b Stevenson	38
*D. B. Close, b Stevenson	1
J. M. Parks, c Hill, b Venkataraghavan	4
I. T. Botham, c Ward, b Venkataraghavan	30
D. Breakwell, not out	7
T. Cartwright, c Hill, b Venkataraghavan	1
B. A. Langford, c Harvey-Walker, b Hendrick	2
A. A. Jones, c Page, b Venkataraghavan	2
Extras (b 5, l-b 5, w 1)	11
Total (53.2 overs)	168

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—11, 2—53, 3—100, 4—106, 5—119, 6—153, 7—153, 8—163, 9—166, 10—168.

BOWLING: Hendrick, 9—2—21—1; Russell, 14—7—26—1; Ward, 1—0—2—0; Venkataraghavan, 10.2—3—31—4; Miller, 4—2—33—1; Stevenson, 7—0—42—3.

Umpires: R. Aspinall and H. Horton.

Sussex v Notts

AT EASTBOURNE

Sussex (4 pts) drew with Nottinghamshire (6).

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

209 (99.5 overs) (M. J. Smedley 85; C. E. Waller, 3 for 96).

Second Innings

P. A. Todd, c Marley, b Spencer	10
B. Hassan, c and b Waller	4
R. T. Tunnicliffe, not out	1
D. W. Randall, not out	4
Total (2 wkts dec)	22

(M. J. Harris, M. J. Smedley, R. A. White, *J. D. Bond, H. C. Latchman, B. Stead, W. Taylor did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—10, 2—16.

BOWLING: Spencer, 4—1—17—1; Waller, 2—1—1—1; Phillipson, 1—0—5—0.

SUSSEX: First Innings

G. A. Greenidge, l-b-w, by Stead	2
J. D. Morley, b White	15
*A. W. Mansell, c Smedley, b Latchman	18
M. J. J. Faber, l-b-w, b White	2
P. J. Graves, c Todd, b Latchman	7
J. J. Groome, c and b Latchman	7
M. A. Buss, c Hassan, b White	12
J. A. Snow, c Randall, b Latchman	7
J. Spencer, c Todd, b Latchman	10
C. E. Waller, c Todd, b White	0
†C. P. Phillipson, not out	1
Extras (b 6, l-b 6)	12
Total (45.4 overs)	95

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—4, 2—27, 3—43, 4—52, 5—56, 6—56, 7—75, 8—85, 9—89, 10—96.

BOWLING: Stead, 5—2—8—1; Taylor, 8—2—21—0; White, 18—8—25—4; Latchman, 14.4—4—42—5.

Second Innings

G. A. Greenidge, b Latchman	4
J. D. Morley, c Smedley, b White	5
M. J. J. Faber, not out	1
P. J. Graves, not out	1
Total (2 wkts)	15

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—11.

BOWLING: Tunnicliffe, 3—1—5—0; White, 6—2—5—1; Latchman, 3—1—7—1.

Bonus points: Sussex 4, Nottinghamshire 6.

Umpires: W. E. Alley and A. Jepson.

Today's cricket

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Pakistanis (11.30 to 6.30).
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Glamorgan (11.0 to 6.30).
EASTBOURNE: Sussex v Derrick Robins's XI (11.0 to 6.30).
PENNER TROPHY
SCARBOROUGH: Warwickshire v Lancashire (11.0 to 6.30).
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP
SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire II v Glamorgan II.

County championship

	P	W	L	D	Btg	Blg	Pts
Worcester (6)	20	11	3	6	45	72	227
Hampshire (11)	20	10	3	6	55	70	225
Northants (5)	20	9	2	9	46	67	203
Leicester (9)	20	7	7	6	47	60	186
Somerset (10)	20	6	4	10	49	72	181
Middlesex (13)	20	7	5	8	45	56	171
Surrey (2)	20	6	4	10	42	69	171
Lancs (12)	20	5	0	13	47	66	165
Warwicks (7)	20	5	5	10	44	65	159
Kent (1)	20	5	8	7	53	63	156
Yorkshire (14)	20	7	8	5	37	69	146
Essex (8)	20	4	3	13	45	51	141
Sussex (15)	20	4	9	6	39	65	137
Gloucester (5)	19	4	9	6	29	55	124
Notts (17)	20	1	9	10	42	66	118
Glam (11)	19	2	7	10	28	56	104
Derby (16)	20	1	6	13	23	62	90

1975 positions in brackets. Includes bats each for Sussex and Essex in tied match. There was no result between Hampshire and Yorkshire.

No play yesterday

BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Yorkshire.
LORD'S: Middlesex, 144 (P. H. Edmonds 57; R. M. H. Cottam 5 for 58, J. T. J. Dye 4 for 51); Northamptonshire 55 for 1 (J. S. E. Price 7—3—18—0; M. W. W. Selvey 10—1—30—1; T. Timms 6—1—14—0; P. H. Edmonds 1—1—0—0). Bonus points: Middlesex 1, Northamptonshire 1.
MANCHESTER: Lancashire, 166 for 8 (J. N. Graham 22—6—41—1; J. N. Shepherd 22—11—22—2; M. H. Vine, 22—7—52—3; R. A. Woolmer 9—2—20—0; J. J. Graham-Brown 3—3—0—1; C. Kent). Bonus points: Lancashire 1.
CHELMSFORD: Essex, 84 (N. Gifford 7 for 15); Worcestershire, 126 for 5 (G. M. Turner 58 not out, D. Turner 17—3—60—1; K. D. Boyce 8—1—16—1; R. E. East 14—1—47—0; P. J. Ker, Lever 10—1—38—2; G. A. Gooch 5—1—21—0). Bonus points: Worcestershire 4.
THE OVAL: Glamorgan, 206 (R. D. Jackman 4 for 76); Surrey, 54 for 2 (R. D. V. Knight 6—2—21—0; D. L. Williams 5—1—15—0; A. E. Cordle 2—1—6—0; R. C. Davis, 1—0—2—0). Bonus points: Surrey 4, Glamorgan 3.
EALING: Middlesex II v Sussex II (Second XI competition).

Other match

ALDERSHOT: Army Cup final: RAPC Worthy Down, 210 (WO II R. Turnbull 47, Capt P. Gardiner 4 for 23); School of Signals, 70. RAPC won by 40 runs.

English weather does nothing for England

By Alan Gibson

BIRMINGHAM: Pakistan beat England by eight wickets.

Play began yesterday at 11.30, threequarters of an hour late. It was decided to limit the match to 35 overs each side. It is laid down in the rules that if one of these matches starts on the second

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SPORT

Tennis

Tanner finds softer service gives better value against Nastase

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Forest Hills, Sept 3

James Connors and Jan Kodes, his predecessor as Wimbledon champion, had testing matches on their way to the last 16 of the men's singles in the United States tennis championships. Connors beat John Alexander, 6—1, 7—5, 6—7, 6—4 in a match that, as the scores suggest, contained three hotly contested sets. Eight days ago Connors was stricken by gastro-enteritis and he came to Forest Hills with a question mark over his strength, stamina, and confidence. But he has beaten Jeff Borowiak, Ove Bengtson, and Alexander at the cost of only two sets and no longer has any cause to doubt himself. His next opponent, Kodes, took him to five sets at Wimbledon but that was the Czechoslovak's fourth successive five-set match. It could be said that he was living on borrowed time and, up to a point, the same could be said now.

Kodes was two sets, 5—6, and 15—30 down before fighting back to beat Balacz Taroczy 5—7, 4—6, 7—6, 7—6, 6—3 on a divot-strewen court that often made a mockery of the game.

Alexander Metreveli, runner-up to Kodes at Wimbledon last year, survived two match points before beating Mark Cox 6—7, 6—2, 6—7, 7—6, 6—3. Cox was a little lucky to win the third set. He was 2—4 down in the nine-point, sudden death tie-break, but had the right to serve the last three points. He won them all, the last when Metreveli mishit a lob that beat Cox but dropped just out. When Metreveli was 4—5 down in the fourth set he served a double-fault, muffed two forehand volleys, and twice had match point against him. But Cox was off the mark with a backhand service return and Metreveli then played a winning stop volley off a powerful forehand. In the fifth set Metreveli always looked closer than Cox to his best form. The Georgian played two good lobs in breaking service to 5—3 and in the next game he served and volleyed with irresistible authority.

Ilie Nastase, the 1972 champion here, was beaten 4—6, 6—7, 7—5, 6—4, 6—4 by Roscoe Tanner, who had also been two sets down in his previous match (against Roger Taylor). Nastase has lost none of his skill and superb athleticism. But this year there has been a marked decline—temporary, we must hope—in his zest for the game and his enjoyment of a scrap. His artistry is that of a dilettante.

The match was also slightly distasteful in that, at its heart, the mild-mannered Tanner found it necessary to walk to the net and ask Nastase "you wanta talk, or you wanta play tennis?". Tanner said later: "It seemed every time I tried to serve, he was turning to talk to someone in the corner. If he wants to talk to the fans, let him go buy a ticket and sit in the sands."



Cox: not up to his best form against Metreveli.

By the end of the day the following singles pairings had emerged: Connors v Kodes, Okker v Metreveli, Smith v Ball, Tanner v El Shafei, Rosewall v Ramirez, Riessen v Vijay Amritraj, Vilas v Ashe, Moore v Newcombe, Mrs King v Miss Casals, Miss Heldman v Mrs Gunter, Miss Goolagong v Miss Melville, and Miss Hunt v Miss Evert.

Men's singles

Third round

J. Connors (U.S.) beat J. Alexander (Australia), 6—1, 7—5, 5—7, 6—3; J. Kodes (Czechoslovakia) beat B. Taroczy (Hungary), 5—7, 4—6, 7—6, 7—6, 7—5, 6—3.

I. El-Shafei (Egypt) beat D. Stockton (U.S.), 5—7, 7—6, 6—3, 3—6, 6—4; A. Metreveli (USSR) beat M. Cox (GB), 6—7, 6—2, 6—7, 7—6, 6—3; S. Ball (Australia) beat A. Amritraj (India), 6—7, 5—7, 6—3, 6—4, 6—4; T. Okker (Netherlands) beat T. Koch (Brazil), 4—6, 6—2, 6—3, 5—7, 6—4.

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S. Smith beat B. Teacher, 6—3, 7—7 6—2.

R. Tanner beat I. Nastase (Romania) 4—6, 6—7, 7—5, 6—4, 6—4.

Men's doubles

Second round

B. Gottfried (US) and R. Ramirez (Mexico) beat J. Simpson (NZ) and J. Yuill (S Africa) 6—3, 6—3.

C. Dowdeswell and S. Stewart beat P. Gerken (US) and H. Rahim (Pakistan), 6—2, 6—3.

Third round

S. Ball and R. Keldie (Australia) beat R. Carmichael and A. Stone (Australia), 7—6, 6—4.

J. Alexander (Australia) and M. Riessen (US) beat R. Taylor (GB) and A. Metreveli (USSR), 4—6, 6—3, 7—5.

Women's singles

Third round

Miss R. Casals (U.S.) beat Miss D. Fromholtz (Australia), 7—6, 6—0.

Mrs L. W. King (U.S.) beat Miss B. Nagelsen (U.S.), 6—4, 6—2.

Miss J. Heldman (U.S.) beat Miss M. Navratilova (Czechoslovakia), 6—4, 6—3.

Mrs K. Gunter (U.S.) beat Miss A. Kiyomura (U.S.), 6—2, 6—2.

Rowing

NZ poses some difficult problems

From Jim Railton
Lucerne, Sept 3

With world and Olympic regattas moving outside Europe in the next few years, the International Rowing Federation (FISA) discussed the various problems involved at its annual congress here today. Conspicuous among those in attendance were representatives of China. The 1975 world junior championships will definitely be held in Montreal, which should provide the organizers with an invaluable trial run for the Olympic regatta there in 1976. But difficulties could arise with the 1978 world championships, which have been provisionally awarded to New Zealand, confirmation of which will be made at next year's FISA congress in Nottingham.

The New Zealand Amateur Rowing Association is particularly anxious to host the world championships to give their public an opportunity to witness the world's best oarsmen in action. New Zealand's successes at European and Olympic regattas, too, have won the admiration of the rowing world. But their achievements have only been made possible by big sacrifices and at a cost of about £280,000 raised through public lottery.

The principal problem to be solved before awarding the world championships to New Zealand, apart from transportation costs, will be the dates, and some friction is likely to arise here. The New Zealand organising committee recommend a date at the beginning of their summer in early December, when statistical data indicates that Lake Karapiro on the North Island should provide the best conditions for competition. They also suggest that crews take part in warm-up regattas in Australia in the preceding three weeks to acclimatize.

Two suggestions that FISA will be considering this year, however, are that the 1978 world championships, if awarded to New Zealand, should take place in the last week in November and possibly a European championship should also take place that year. The New Zealand organizers point out that seasonal winds—"We call them gales", quipped one of their officials yesterday—present some risks with the course in November. Also the New Zealanders are extremely unhappy over the suggestion of a 1978 European championship, which they rightly feel could detract from their proposed event.

The delegates at the FISA conference today at least settled the venue of the 1977 world championships after a secret ballot. The cities of Duisburg and Amsterdam made attempts to secure these championships. Amsterdam with a single handout and modest speech by their president put their case in the simplest of styles. Duisburg, with a large delegation that included two attractive young women in red trouser suits and a speech by the mayor of Duisburg, seemed almost to go overboard in their quest for the championships.

Britain's two leading entries here—the eight and double scullers, Baillieu and Hart—should qualify directly in tomorrow's heats for Saturday's world championships semi-final round. The Leander-Thames Tradesmen's eight have been drawn in the smallest but most difficult heat with the first three crews moving on to the semi-final round of the competition.

Racing

One to watch rather than to bet on

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

The stage is shared by York and Bath today. York put on the most valuable race, the £2,000 Strensall Stakes, which has attracted a field worthy of the prize. Having won the Musidora Stakes there in May, the Queen's filly Escorial must give 6 lb to her rivals. This promises to be anything but an easy task.

Mrs Tiggywinkle finished third in the Free Handicap and the 1,000 Guineas and Star Court won the Masaka Stakes at Kempton Park on Easter Monday, a race that is recognized as a classic trial. Flashy, that imperially-bred filly by Sir Ivor out of Sovereign, has found the Knavesmire a happy hunting ground. Having won the Derwent Handicap there in May, she returned in August and added the Great Yorkshire Handicap to her list of achievements.

Silk and Satin, the only other runner, has won three of her five races, and she is not out of place in this company. Mrs Tiggywinkle is my choice for what is an extremely difficult race—one to watch rather than one to bet on. Mrs Tiggywinkle has never won over a mile, so her ability to last it out this afternoon has to be taken on trust. But the same applies to Star Court.

Our Newmarket Correspondent has been keeping an eye upon her lately and, although he expects her to run well, he is inclined to think that seven furlongs could turn out to be her ideal distance in time even though she is by Aureole and out of The Creditor.

The form book suggests that Mrs Tiggywinkle ought to be capable of beating Star Court. Mrs Tiggywinkle finished five lengths in front of Lady Tan in the 1,000 Guineas and, more recently, she beat the same filly by a length and a half at Epsom, giving her 6 lb. Yet only half a length separated Star Court and Lady Tan when they clashed at Kempton Park.

Escorial's victory in the Musidora Stakes has been made to look rather hollow by subsequent events, and I doubt whether she is up to giving Mrs Tiggywinkle this amount of weight. The Bush Baby Fabric Stakes is confined to women riders and to three-year-olds and older horses that had not won a race before July 31. A day later Firetail, my selection this afternoon, won his first race, the Drayton Handicap at Goodwood, thus ending a luckless spell at long last.

As if spurred on by that success, Firetail won again, as recently as last Friday at Chester, where he beat Loch Nell and Pee Mai, both older rivals, to win the Cheshire Toms and Cats Handicap Stakes, a race for riders of both sexes. Firetail was ridden on that occasion by the experienced amateur, Stephen Stanhope. Today Dorothy Leech, wife of Gavin Hunter's head lad at East Ilsley, takes over and in his present form Firetail could give her a winning ride.

The Sancton Stakes and the Ouseburn Nursery Stakes, the last two races on the card at York, could provide Henry Cecil and Greville Starkey with two more successes. Gaelic, a fluent winner at Newbury after being thwarted by Anne's Pretender in his previous race at Goodwood, has an obvious chance of winning the Sancton Stakes. Our Newmarket Correspondent thinks that Noble Emperor will not be beaten easily in the Nursery.

With Hello Honey winning at Brighton yesterday, Peter Walwyn has trained at least one winner a day on each of the last nine days of racing in this country, and that helps to explain why his young jockey, Patrick Eddery, has been able to sustain his challenge to Lester Piggott at the top of the table. Walwyn and Eddery will be in action together at Bath this afternoon, when Court Scene (2.45), Ragged Robin (3.45) and Raffmarie (5.15) can help to keep alive Eddery's hopes of wresting the title from Piggott.

A year ago Ryan Price and Tony Murray combined to win the Bristol Nursery for Charles St George with Angerstein. This time they may win it again with the consistent filly, Tebaldi, who has been placed in all of her six races since she won her first at Liverpool as long ago as March. Tebaldi ran particularly well in her last race at Goodwood when she finished on the heels of One Over Parr and Dun Habit at the end of the race for the valuable Globtik Stakes.

STATE OF GOING (official): York: Good to soft. Bath: Soft. Newton Abbot: Soft.

Bath programme

2.15 SEPTEMBER STAKES (£288 : 1m)

1	0-0	Green Man, J. Thorne, 9-0	I. Johnson	5
2	020400	Harry Churchills, B. Hills, 9-0	E. Johnson	9
5	000000	Trailer (C), K. Cundell, 9-0	M. Tobin	7
6	00-0053	Landpot, J. Holt, 8-7	P. Perkins	1
7	002-000	Hi Snoop, A. Davison, 8-8	R. Fox	2
11	0-00100	Weepers Laura, J. Thorne, 8-8	—	—

7-4 Harry Churchills, 5-1 Trailer, 9-2 Landpot, 7-1 Hi Snoop, 10-1 Weepers Laura, 16-1 Green Man.

2.45 TOG HILL MAIDEN PLATE (Div I: 2-y-o: fillies: £345: 5f 167yds)

3		Amarante, A. Budgett, 8-11	E. Johnson	5
4	320	Barzoska, J. Winter, 8-11	G. Duffield	6
5	0	Carlgarad, D. O'Neill, 8-11	P. Eddery	12
10	040	Court Scene, P. Walwyn, 8-11	R. Street	10
16	0	Flying Grace, B. Hills, 8-11	Ron Hutchinson	9
17	000	Gulf Flame, A. Breasley, 8-11	I. Johnson	7
20	00	Hinton Lady, W. Swainson, 8-11	R. Middleton	4
21	000	Oh Well, K. Cundell, 8-11	A. Murray	1
24	034	Promiso, H. Price, 8-11	F. Morby	6
27		Reina Del Mar, D. Sasse, 8-11	J. Lynch	11
31	0	Sleek, A. Johnson, 8-11	—	—

2-1 Promiso, 5-1 Bazooka, 7-2 Court Scene, 8-1 Flying Grace, 12-1 Amarante, 14-1 Sleek, 16-1 Reina Del Mar, 20-1 others.

3.15 BRISTOL NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £653 : 7f)

2	322323	Tebaldi, H. Price, 8-12	A. Murray	3
3	0	Chalkstones, H. Williams, 8-11	J. Matthias	5
4	0020	Hymn Saul, W. Hern, 8-9	R. Marshall	8
6	0	Tolemark, W. Marshall, 8-7	—	—
8	0172	Spirit Lake (D), I. Balding, 8-6	J. Matthias	9
9	4213	Dancing Tara (C), D. Sasse, 8-6	F. Morby	6
12	390301	Yellow Goddess (CD), C. Harwood, 7-12	J. Lynch	4
14	000012	Dill, P. Cole, 7-11	A. Bond	1
11	343001	En Suite, R. Smyth, 7-2	I. Jenkinson	2
17	0030	En Suite, R. Smyth, 7-2	—	—

0-4 Pilgrim Soul, 3-1 Spirit Lake, 4-1 Tebaldi, 7-1 Yellow Goddess, Dancing Tara, 10-1 Tolemark, 12-1 Dill, En Suite.

3.45 CLEVEDON HANDICAP (£620 : 1m 5f)

1	0	Prince Antoine, H. Price, 4-8-11	A. Murray	7
3	240-341	Bella Figura (C), K. Cundell, 4-8-11	R. Middleton	2
5	111000	Tudermead (C), P. Haslam, 5-8-9	I. Johnson	5
7	000012	Neutron Star, A. Breasley, 5-8-4	Ron Hutchinson	10
8	0-22123	Ragged Robin, P. Walwyn, 5-8-3	P. Eddery	1
9	440240	Menu, B. Leigh, 4-8-0	A. Bond	9
10	403103	Eastman, N. Horn, 5-8-2	J. Mercer	3
11	103000	Hoya D. Hanley, 4-8-1	F. Waldron	11
13	010414	Expensive (C), I. Balding, 5-8-1	J. Lynch	5
15	0-30020	Manipulation, T. Darling, 5-8-1	P. Cook	8
16	0002	Dance Hard, N. Vigors, 5-7-11	—	—

5-2 Ragged Robin, 7-2 Eastman, 5-1 Neutron Star, 15-2 Bella Figura, 8-1 Tudormead, 10-1 Expensive, 12-1 Menu, Prince Antoine, 16-1 others.

4.15 MONKTON FARLEIGH HANDICAP (3-y-o: £587 : 1m 3f 150yd)

1	203000	Sound Jiff, R. Hannon, 9-0	F. Morby	5
2	0-42401	Tamilian, J. Candy, 8-13	J. Mercer	1
4	032113	Private Well, P. Cole, 8-9	A. Murray	4
5	200031	Vital Venture, H. Price, 8-9	P. Eddery	3
7	000400	Daisy Knox, A. Budgett, 7-13	G. Duffield	6
8	2221-04	By Command, A. Armstrong, 7-13	E. Johnson	2
9	0-00130	Ann's Grey, B. Hills, 7-13	I. Jenkinson	8
10	010040	Miss Cervinia, W. Marshall, 7-7	—	—

9-4 Private Well, 11-4 Tamilian, 7-2 Vital Venture, 8-1 Ann's Grey, 10-1 Sound Jiff, 16-1 others.

4.45 PENNSYLVANIA MAIDEN PLATE (2-y-o: £345 : 1m)

1	320030	Bon Prince, W. Marshall, 9-0	R. Marshall	1
2	00204	Carry on Father, W. Marshall, 9-0	P. Eddery	12
3	0	Dunvegan, A. Budgett, 9-0	E. Johnson	5
4	000	Expression, J. Cann, 9-0	A. Bond	6
11	0003	Fire Cap, Mrs Toughton, 9-0	G. Ramshaw	9
12		Ganger, R. Vibert, 9-0	P. Cook	7
13	0	Gerovese, H. Candy, 9-0	F. Waldron	4
17	0	Grey Shot, H. Price, 9-0	M. Germon	10
19	000	Naval King, H. Price, 9-0	P. Perkins	8
20	0	Oh Jimmy, K. Cundell, 9-0	A. Murray	11
21	0042	Oliver Cromwell, P. Cole, 9-0	F. Morby	13
22	0	Portman Square, W. Hern, 9-0	R. Edmondson	2
23	00	Timothy Titus, G. O'Neill, 9-0	J. Mercer	14
25	0	Tom Tiddler, J. Akehurst, 9-0	C. Asbury	15
26	00003	Yule Log, B. Swift, 9-0	C. Williams	16
27			J. Wilson	13

5-2 Naval King, 4-1 Oliver Cromwell, 11-2 Great Hero, Carry on Father, 8-1 Bon Prince, Dunvegan, 12-1 Portman Square, 14-1 Yule Log, 20-1 others.

5.15 TOG HILL MAIDEN PLATE (Div II: 2-y-o fillies: £345: 5f 167yd)

5	000	Bacchanal, F. Maxwell, 8-11	G. Baxter	6
6	0	Cobblestones, H. Williams, 8-11	J. Matthias	5
15	0	Howells, B. Hills, 8-11	—	—
18	00	Injudicious, R. Turnell, 8-11	A. Murray	1
26		Liucn, O. O'Neill, 8-11	G. Pasquet	7
28	30433	Malia's, R. Smyth, 8-11	T. Cain	9
29	00400	Penhill Point, J. Cann, 8-11	A. Bond	10
30	0	Queens Slipper, N. Vigors, 8-11	P. Cook	8
32	20	Raffmarie, P. Walwyn, 8-11	P. Eddery	3
33	0	Selina, J. Dunlop, 8-11	Ron Hutchinson	4
44	00	Tudor Court, A. Jarvis, 8-11	E. Johnson	11

5-4 Raffmarie, 5-1 Selina, 8-1 Howells, 10-1 Malia's, 12-1 Penhill Point, 14-1 Queens Slipper, 20-1 others.

Bath selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.15 Harry Churchills. 2.45 Court Scene. 3.15 TEBALDI is specially recommended. 3.45 Ragged Robin. 4.15 By Command. 4.45 Naval King. 5.15 Raffmarie.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
4.15 By Command.

York programme

[BA: 2.30, 3.0, 3.30, 4.0]

2.0 BURTON AGNES HANDICAP (£948 : 6f)

105	310101	Miss Scotland (D), Doug Smith, 9-8-12	E. Eldin	1
106	02-4003	Plummet (D), E. Sutcliffe, 9-8-10	W. Carson	4
108	0231-23	Great Charter (D), R. Jarvis, 8-8-8	M. L. Thomas	3
110	331021	Anton Lad, J. Mulhall, 8-8-3	S. Salmon	5
111	21-0310	Old Penny, E. Cousins, 8-8-1	—	—
112	00-0000	Shot in the Dark (C) (D), L. Sheddon, 8-8-1	S. Parks	2
113	403102	Gold Loom (D), W. Gray, 8-7-13	P. Robinson	6

5-1 Great Charter, 7-2 Miss Scotland, 6-1 Anton Lad, 8-1 Old Penny, 6-1 Plummet, 8-1 Gold Loom, 14-1 Shot in the Dark.

2.30 DALTON STAKES (3-y-o: £904 : 2m)

201	00403d	Corparay, C. Crossley, 9-0	G. Cadwaladr	4
202	0-0000	Kutuzov, P. Cole, 9-0	M. L. Thomas	8
203	000202	Listercombe, F. Maxwell, 9-0	B. Taylor	7
204	0	Nymphenburg, D. McCain, 9-0	L. G. Brown	9
205	000-003	Quiet, G. Smyth, 9-0	G. Lewis	5
207	040	Risk It, W. Elsey, 9-0	F. Eldin	1
208	000434	Ballito, P. Robinson, 8-11	B. Tulk	6
209	0-04	Shower of Gold, J. Hindley, 8-11	A. Kimberley	3
213	442000	What A Treat, D. Weeden, 8-11	B. Raymond	2

7-2 Listercombe, 4-1 Corparay, 5-1 Quiet, 6-1 Ballito, Nymphenburg, 8-1 What A Treat, 12-1 Risk It, Shower of Gold, 20-1 Kutuzov.

3.0 BUSH BABY FABRICS STAKES (Ladies' race: £941 : 1m 1f)

302	232121	Firetail, G. Hunter, 9-10-0	D. Leech	7
303	223444	Pipilnchris, S. Mellor, 4-10-0	F. Mellor	11
306	00-0000	Regency Ride, A. Dear, 5-10-0	J. Wright	2
307	0-0000	Stripper, Mrs Calvert, 4-10-0	R. Sanders	11
309	0-24213	Supreme Gold, W. Hall, 3-9-11	S. Camacho	10
310	000000	Weringo, C. Bell, 5-9-11	J. Leggat	8
311	0-3333	Aunty Prince, M. Easterby, 3-9-7	A. Jones	9
314	002003	Invoke, C. Bell, 3-9-7	M. Bell	1
316	000000	Abbey Inn, J. Calvert, 5-9-4	J. Calvert	6
317	0434	Arras Gem, J. FitzGerald, 3-9-4	F. Tate	4
319	3204000	Waldretta, W. Wightman, 3-9-4	W. Wightman	3
321	000002	Summer Serenade, A. Goodwill, 3-9-4	L. Goodwill	5
323	000004	Wrexham, E. Cousins, 3-9-4	C. Leah	7

5-2 Firetail, 7-2 Portopen, 4-1 Supreme Gold, 6-1 Pipilnchris, 10-1 Invoke, Summer Serenade, 12-1 Annas Prince, 16-1 others.

3.30 STRENSALL STAKES (fillies : £1,587 : 1m)

401	11-3100	Escorial (CD), I. Balding, 3-9-0	G. Starkey	5
402	100221	Flashy (CD), H. Wragg, 3-8-8	D. Cullen	2
405	10-3303	Mrs Tiggywinkle, B. Hobbs, 3-8-8	J. Gorton	4
406	0	Susan N, Marlow, 3-8-8	G. Lewis	1
407	2-01311	Silk and Satin, J. Armstrong, 3-8-3	—	—

2-1 Star Court, 3-1 Escorial, 7-2 Mrs Tiggywinkle, 9-2 Silk and Satin, 8-1 Flashy.

4.0 GARROWBY HANDICAP (£1,063 : 1m 2½f)

507	002202	Tom Noddy (CD), L. Sheddon, 5-8-7	G. Lewis	6
508	201110	Alaska Highway, R. Jarvis, 5-8-6	M. L. Thomas	1
509	342300	Anak Malaysia, E. Cousins, 5-8-5	G. Cadwaladr	3
510	021213	Colgnafearn (C), C. Bell, 4-8-1	T. O'Ryan	5
512	4-21221	Tudor Crown, J. Hindley, 5-7-8	D. McKay	8
513	033200	Gold Coin, W. Gray, 4-7-7	E. Apter	2

2-1 Alaska Highway, 3-1 Colgnafearn, 4-1 Tudor Crown, 5-1 Tom Noddy, 8-1 Anak Malaysia, 10-1 Gold Coin.

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602	321	Gaelic, H. Cecil, 9-1	G. Starkey	7
604	0	Abergwilly, R. Jarvis, 9-0	E. Eldin	11
605	00	Adline, H. Cottrill, 9-0	F. Durr	8
606	0	Arctic Honey, W. Gray, 9-0	A. Cousins	1
607	40	Appersett, A. Budgett, 9-0	J. Gorton	6
608	0	Birthday Suit, B. Van Cutsem, 9-0	W. Carson	9
609	00	Bustello, M. W. Easterby, 9-0	—	—
611	0	Double Walk, S. Hall, 9-0	L. G. Brown	12
613	40	Frank The Yank, C. Bell, 9-0	B. Connorton	15
614	0040	Jimjet, F. Carr, 9-0	C. Eccleston	14
616	000	Philip Green, W. Gray, 9-0	E. Apter	2
620	40	Stotchworth Lad, P. Robinson, 9-0	P. Tulk	13
623	02	Zabaglione, D. Sasse, 9-0	A. Kimberley	10
625		Rodado, F. Weymes, 8-9	S. Perks	10
626		Stamen, B. Hobbs, 8-9	G. Lewis	3

8-11 Gaelic, 4-1 Zabaglione, 7-1 Stotchworth Lad, 12-1 Birthday Suit, Adline, 16-1 Stamen, 20-1 others.

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5	10	Noble Emperor, H. Cecil, 8-8	G. Starkey	2
6	01031	Watch Valid (D), T. Molony, 7-11	R. Wernham	5
7	32234	Quay, R. Jarvis, 7-10	M. L. Thomas	4
9	022304	Incensed, L. Sheddon, 7-9	W. Carson	3
10	043332	Double Nap, F. Carr, 7-6	—	—
11	000120	Farthing Road (D), M. H. Easterby, 7-0	S. Salmon	8

9-1 Dubello, 7-2 Cardinal Wolsey, 9-2 Watch Valid, 6-1 Quay, Noble Emperor, 10-1 Double Nap, 12-1 others.

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2.15 Irish Word. 2.45 Takasaki. 3.15 Early Frost. 3.45 Sunnymede. 4.15 Fire Alarm. 4.45 Brokopondo.

Miss Barker makes powerful start

Rain disrupted the British junior hard court championships at Wimbledon for the second successive day yesterday. But between showers, Susan Barker, of Devon, the defending champion, managed to win her opening match on an outside court. She beat Jane Gascoyne, of Derbyshire, 6—0, 6—2, with a competent and powerful display.

Miss Barker took the first set at a cost of only 13 points.

BOYS SINGLES: Second round: S. E. Donald (Scotland) beat S. J. Delaney (Buckinghamshire), 6—3, 6—0; M. D. Grice (Middlesex) beat J. Whiteford (Sussex), 6—4, 1—6, 6—1; S. A. Jones (Lancashire) beat R. A. Savage (Surrey), 7—6, 3—6, 6—1; M. V. Taylor (Surrey) beat C. D. Best (Sussex), 6—4, 6—3; A. J. Alexander (Cheshire) beat T. J. Thomson (Cambridge), 6—1, 6—1; R. Peacock (Eastbourne) beat J. R. Barber (Suffolk), 6—2, 6—1; P. G. H. Brook (Yorkshire) beat B. Joannides (Middlesex), 6—2, 6—1; S. F. Bradley (Essex) beat J. D. Jackson (Yorkshire), 6—3, 6—3; N. J. Lee (Wales) beat M. A. Ludlow (Yorkshire), 6—2, 6—3; M. J. Kledgwold (Kent) beat C. A. Rayner (Essex), 7—5, 6—4; N. D. Gooden (Yorkshire) beat K. M. Lyndon (Wales), 7—5, 6—0; R. M. Rovie (Scotland) beat R. J. Haak (Hampshire), 6—0, 6—3; P. A. Watts (Berkshire) beat N. A. Boulden (Kent), 6—4, 6—4; R. W. Brown (Scotland) beat M. P. J. Bonney (Suffolk), 6—3, 6—7, 6—0; C. J. Kashow (Devon) beat G. D. Lacy-Thompson (Surrey), 6—2, 6—2; N. A. Rayner (Essex) beat P. R. Thomas (Middlesex), 6—2, 6—0.

GIRLS SINGLES: Second round: S. Barker (Devon) beat J. Gascoyne (Derbyshire), 6—0, 6—2; S. J. Phelan (Surrey) beat D. R. Aspinwall (Lancashire), 6—4, 6—3; S. M. Jenkins (Norfolk) beat E. A. Cooke (Berkshire), 6—4, 6—4; S. A. B. Sivil (Yorkshire) beat J. V. Burnage (Essex), 6—3, 6—4; J. A. Eyre (Surrey) beat A. Bramwell (Middlesex), 6—4, 5—7, 6—1; A. Birchall (Leicestershire) beat C. A. Russell-Vick (Kent), 6—5, 5—2 retired; J. Cottrell (Surrey) beat J. E. Paul (Scotland), 6—1, 6—3; A. Fisher (Surrey) beat J. M. Curtis (Norfolk), 6—3, 6—3; L. C. Robinson (Yorkshire) beat S. E. Rich (Norfolk), 6—0, 6—2; V. A. Jackson (Middlesex) beat L. K. Hobley (Buckinghamshire), 6—1, 6—0.

Second Soling victory in a row for Kuhweide

By John Nicholls

The West German, Willy Kuhweide, won his second race in succession when he finished first in the third race of the Soling European championship at Helensburgh on the Clyde yesterday. On total points he now has an impressive overall lead, for no one else in the top bracket of the fleet has had three good results.

He also, of course, leads with a discard; but with four races still to be sailed it is early yet to be thinking in those terms. Many other men have had two high placings, and they are all grouped close together. Consistency is sure to pay dividends at the end of the week, however, and in this respect Kuhweide is out on his own.

In a fleet of the calibre competing at Helensburgh, helmsmen simply cannot afford to make mistakes. One error in a race is enough to let half a dozen boats go past. Yesterday the start was all-important and anyone who did not get away well was unable to recover lost ground. Erich Hirt, who was the overnight points leader, started badly and ended up 35th in the fleet of 53 starters.

Conversely, the boats which started well and reached the windward mark in the leading group were still there at the finish. The wind, although it varied in strength at times, was consistent in direction and there were no shifts to exploit. So far the Clyde seems to have escaped the gales that are devastating other coastal areas, and the wind yesterday never reached more than force four.

During the previous night, however, a few Solings broke adrift from their moorings in the Gareloch and one of them, owned by an Austrian, drove ashore and was stranded by the tide. The start of yesterday's race was delayed while she was refloated and, with only superficial damage, she was able to take part in the race.

There was a further delay while the fleet went through their customary performance of a general recall and then behaved themselves to make a perfect start at the second attempt. British prospects looked good when Charles Ingham, from Windermere, led Kuhweide round the weather mark and for the whole of the first triangular round. They still looked good when Ingham was still ahead on the second windward leg, although the German boat was now ominously close.

The two boats left the windward mark on opposite gybes and when they each gybed halfway down the run Kuhweide passed narrowly across the bows of Ingham. In his effort to repass Kuhweide on the next beat Ingham lost two more places, but he fought back and nearly recovered third place.

THREE POINTS RACE: 1, Darling (W. Kuhweide, West Germany); 2, Optimist (G. Schwarz, East Germany); 3, Baladin (U. Strohschneider, Austria); 4, Chameleon (Tan (C. Ingham, GB); 5, Pivot (G. Haegell, France).

American skipper pays tribute to beaten rival

Newport, Rhode Island, Sept 3.—Courageous will defend the America's Cup against Southern Cross, her Australian challenger, and if Courageous is successful, Intrepid, the other United States contender, will have had a lot to do with it—at least in the opinion of Ted Hood.

Hood is in a position to know, having replaced Bob Bavier as Courageous's skipper yesterday when the aluminium yacht sailed to victory over the wooden Intrepid to earn the right to represent the United States in defence of the cup. Courageous won by 1min 47sec on Rhode Island Sound. The New York Yacht Club promptly selected Courageous to defend the cup, which America has not lost since competition began in 1851. Southern Cross eliminated the French yacht France 4—0 to earn the right to challenge.

The best-of-seven America's Cup competition begins on September 10. Hood said the strong showing by Intrepid in the trials would help his boat against Southern Cross. "If the series with Australia is very close, Intrepid will have made it possible for us to win", said Mr Hood.

"Without the effort Intrepid put into this, we would have been sitting ducks for the Aussies", added Robert W. McCullough, manager of the yacht syndicate backing Courageous. The final contest between Courageous and Intrepid—the cup winner in 1967 and 1970—took place after the United States trials were delayed for three days, once by rain squalls and twice by lack of wind.

Courageous proved consistently faster upwind and down than her rival, and her crew displayed superiority in tactical situations. Courageous and Southern Cross were designed to new 12-metre specifications that allow aluminium hulls for the first time. Courageous, with an overall length of 66ft 6in was designed for the cup attempt by Olin Stephens, a noted yachting expert. Southern Cross (67ft 3in overall) is owned by Alan Bond, an Australian millionaire, and represents the Royal Perth Yacht Club.

"Everybody was saying we were best in light air and we thought so too", Mr McCullough said. "We were gratified to see what our boat could do in heavy weather", he noted after the race.

Talking about the potential of Courageous, he said: "We've reached at least 85 per cent now and hope to get up to 99 per cent by the time the races with Australia start." Mr McCullough and Hood heaped praise on the skipper, Gerry Driscoll, and the crew of Intrepid for providing such tough cup competition. "I think we made Courageous just a little bit faster, and, if we did, we accomplished something very worth while", said Eustace Vynne, head of Intrepid's backers.—AP.

Golf

Littler reaches million dollar mark

Atlanta, Georgia, Sept 3.—Gene Littler yesterday became the eighth player on the United States professional golf tour to earn a million dollars (£416,600). Littler, needing 3,500 dollars (£1,450) to break the million mark, carned 11,750 dollars (£4,900) for finishing fourth in the tournament players' golf event here, won by Jack Nicklaus.

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He quotes the director of the University of Hull Careers Service as saying "a degree is not a meal ticket, merely a licence to hunt. For some OU degree holders therefore, the possession of the degree will make little difference to their career progression—they will be promoted or passed over because of what they are, not because of the piece of paper they possess".

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Battered wives: why they are the born victims of domestic violence

Wife battering is an emotive topic which has recently received considerable publicity. A memorandum from the National Association of Probation Officers to the Home Office, reported in *The Times* recently, said: "As at present the real extent of the problem is concealed". Among the first 300 deprived families referred to our domiciliary family planning service, 69 wives were seen by a member of the team to bear the marks of domestic violence. It is extremely difficult to know how to deal with this problem as there is no doubt that there is to a certain extent a cultural acceptance of wife beating and the women sometimes *retaliate. In the families known to us* in our work in domiciliary family planning, is associated with chronic unemployment, drinking and gross social deprivation. Mrs G is the most recent example.

She telephoned me in a hoarse whisper. Her husband was out in the front with a neighbour where she could keep her eye on him and it was safe to talk. He had battered her with a poker, and threatened to repeat it if she told anyone. I encouraged her to go to her doctor whose surgery was about a quarter of a mile down the road. "I dursen't or he'll do me again, besides I'm such a sight and I don't want all the neighbourhood to know. Anyway my leg's too sore to walk on."

I telephoned her doctor. "Well, she'll have to been won't she? Tell her to come down to the surgery". I explained why Mrs G was unable to do so. "Well, there's nothing I can do about it is there?" The next day I visited Mrs G, while her husband was collecting his social security money for the five times 52nd time. She had more than 30 very large bruises on her arms, legs and trunk, the most severe being a six inch welt across her abdomen, which had broken the skin, and an enormous swelling behind her left knee. In addition, she had a badly swollen eye and cut lip. She had been trying to fix the curtains which were threaded on a bit of string, when they had fallen down. This provoked her husband's wrath. He had some drink in him but was not really drunk by local standards. He picked up the poker and gave his wife a terrible swipe across the back of the leg as she was standing on the chair. She then tried to leave and was beaten about the face and body while her husband prevented her reaching the door. He eventually desisted through sheer exhaustion.

Her husband has been at a rehabilitation centre but still cannot find work. He is probably unemployable after five years and his alcohol consumption makes him unreliable in more ways than one. It was significant that these two most recent assaults had both occurred since the school holidays started.

The family formerly lived in a derelict room and kitchen in a condemned tenement, and have now been rehoused in a pleasant maisonette which even has a small piece of garden at the front. Unfortunately for Mrs G, her neighbours have also changed. When her husband started beating her before, the police were always on the spot pretty quickly and prevented his worst excesses. He never discovered that it was the widow in the flat underneath who always sent her daughter for the police as soon as she heard the sounds of strife. Now Mrs G's neighbour on one side does not want to know a family with eight children and an unemployed husband. On the other side, the couple are themselves fond of a dram in the local bar and their discretion in their cups cannot be relied upon, so Mrs G cannot ask any favours in case it is reported to her husband.

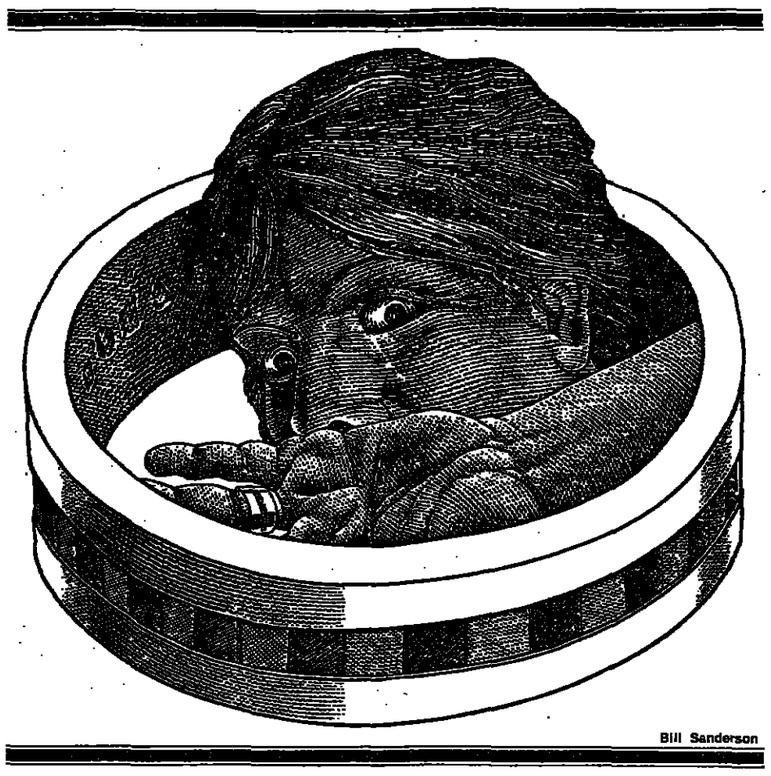
The children are terrified when their father becomes violent and huddle in one of the bedrooms until he is safely "out" in one way or another. It is impossible for them to grow up normally among so much fear. Their mother is more concerned about this effect on her children than she is about her own physical distress.

Very few of the husbands had been prosecuted and, if they were, it frequently made the situation worse. Another woman, Mrs B, very much regretted that her 12-year-old daughter had slipped out of the house and called the police, as her husband was charged, convicted and fined. The family lives on social security benefits and her husband still takes his weekly £7 pocker money, leaving her to feed and clothe the children on even less after she has paid the contribution to his fine.

The extent of the problem in other strata of society is impossible to assess; even Mrs G. did not want to expose her *injuries to the critical eyes of neighbours* she might meet in the doctor's surgery. However, in my own experience in general practice and from talking to colleagues who work in casualty departments of big hospitals, the known cases of domestic violence are rarely found among the wives of non-manual workers. This is not to say that the better educated male is less aggressive, but his aggression is verbal rather than physical.

An insurance salesman recently brought his wife to see me as he said there must be something physically wrong with her as she had become progressively less responsive to his lovemaking. During the initial interview, he constantly made denigratory remarks about her and when he became angry, these were both offensive and cruel. This constant abuse had already damaged her psyche, possibly in a more irreparable way than if he had broken her nose, but, like her physically battered sisters, she had not overtly sought outside help.

Physical violence in a middle class home is not culturally acceptable and wives will go to extreme lengths to hide the truth. A quiet, well-dressed woman was brought to the casualty department by her husband. She had walked into a door and injured her eye. At first this appeared to be a superficial lesion consistent with her story, but closer examination revealed a penetrating wound of her eyeball seriously endangering her sight. Knowledge of the exact nature of the instrument that had caused the injury, would have helped in the treatment. It was pointed out to the patient that no door could possibly have inflicted the injury and that it was in her own interest to tell all that she knew, but she politely stuck to her story. From the husband's demeanour and other observations it was thought that this was almost certainly an example of domestic strife but no proof was ever forthcoming.



Bill Sanderson

Mothers who give a good humoured "skelp on the lug" to a disobedient child are unlikely to worry much if their husbands "give them a wee knock" when they are not quite themselves after an evening at the pub. However, in the more extreme cases the toleration most of the victims extend to their male partners is very difficult to understand, and one feels they are virtually born victims who are only provoked to call on outside help if they are literally in fear of their lives.

Joan, a prostitute, was the girl friend of a notorious and brutal man who lived off her earnings. On one occasion he kicked her in the side so violently that he ruptured her spleen and it was only the close proximity of an excellent casualty department that saved her life. Another time I visited her the day she came home after four days in hospital. He had beaten her with an umbrella for an hour, breaking three ribs, her arm and her collar bone and partially scalped her. "Why don't you leave him Joan?" "Any man's better than none", she replied.

Perhaps in her way of life this was so, but for the other born victims also there are factors in the personalities of the couple and the relationship between them which we are just beginning to perceive. Separation is rarely a solution which is acceptable to the wives on a long term basis. The provision of refuges is not necessarily the answer. Even when they are established there are grave difficulties, as the women, once there, are naturally loathe to move on, and the overcrowding and lack of normal family life can only be detrimental to the children in the long run. In many families the wife will stay with her husband if his violence is not too excessive and if she knows that assistance is immediately available. If an early warning system could be devised so that the police took immediate and effective action, this would surely eventually lead to a decrease in physical assaults in the home.

The Probation Officers' memorandum urges police prosecution on the wife's behalf, "though we recognize that she may often withdraw from such proceedings. The support provided by such action and the element of control seems to us more important than the conviction of the husband." Unfortunately, as Mrs G has found out, not all neighbours will act as an undetectable, unswitchoffable early warning system, and until they do, most of the victims will continue to be battered.

Dr Elizabeth Wilson

Treatment for parents whose child is ill

The most ineffectual way of dealing with parental worries about a child is to say "*don't worry*" without ever finding out what exactly it is that the parent is really worried about. "Don't worry" is an expression which should be banned from the conversation of doctors and nurses since its use means usually that they have not understood the cause of the worry and therefore they resort to this useless formula. On the other hand an explanation as to why there are no grounds for the fears—once their true reason has been determined—removes the necessity for saying "don't worry".

Many parents are so worried about certain diseases that they cannot put their fears into words. Partly, perhaps, because they feel they will seem stupid if they do, or because the fear is so great that they dare not mention it in case it turns out to be true. One such disease is leukaemia which, though fortunately very rare in children, is well known and understandably feared. A number of mothers who complain that their child is too pale *have this fear and I make a point of* asking them if this is one of their anxieties. This makes it possible to explain why their child has not got leukaemia though sometimes a blood count is needed to remove the fear altogether.

Parents are worried by pallor of the cheeks but this is a poor indication of the state of the blood since the colour of the cheeks varies according to how close the blood capillaries are to the surface. A much more accurate estimation of the *state of the blood is obtained from looking* at the inside of the lower eyelids or the inside of the lips. From a doctor's point of view the pallor of leukaemia is so striking that the diagnosis is usually obvious before the result of the blood test is received.

The pallor of the child with leukaemia is due to the anaemia caused by the disease. Possibly this is the reason why the word anaemia strikes terror to some. But leukaemia is an uncommon cause of *anaemia which in children is most often* due to a lack of iron in the diet and easily treated.

Tuberculosis, now very rare in this country, is still a major fear for some parents whose child has a persistent or recurrent cough. But TB *in children is* quite unlike the disease in adults and its symptoms differ accordingly. Cough, the major symptom in adults, seldom affects the child with TB. The body reacts in a different way in its first encounter with *the TB germ as compared with subsequent* attacks. Since the first attack usually occurs in childhood its symptoms differ from attacks later in life.

The commonest presenting symptoms of TB in childhood are *persistent* tiredness and loss of appetite. I emphasize persistent because transitory tiredness is not due to TB. The child who is active for any part of the day has not got TB—a far more common cause for tiredness in children in this country, especially the older ones, is depression.

The third disease which I find causing grave anxiety to some parents is asthma. *Several parents of asthmatic children* have said that asthma is as frightening as cancer. This is another reason why a cough is so frightening in some families. I suspect that one reason why asthma is feared is because it is insufficiently well known that *there are two sorts of asthma* —bronchial (lung) asthma, mainly affecting young people, and cardiac asthma in adults with heart failure. If an elderly person is stated to have died of asthma it is likely to be due to his heart and nothing *to do with bronchial asthma.*

The name bronchial asthma is best looked on as a descriptive term applied to a certain variety of recurrent wheezing attacks which often runs in families and is often associated with eczema. In those subject to the disorder a great deal can be done to prevent the attacks. All children with bronchial asthma should receive physiotherapy since by learning the techniques of breathing and postural exercises they can often breathe in such a way as to be able to prevent an attack developing when they feel it coming on.

Parents should be taught how to supervise these exercises and how to carry out postural drainage and percussion, or "tipping and thumping" as it is often called. By this means children can be helped to clear the phlegm from the lungs which accumulates there during an attack when the air tubes are narrowed. The phlegm is unlikely to be coughed up, as with an adult, but is more likely to be swallowed. This is just as effective in clearing the lungs; it sometimes causes the child to vomit but the muscular effect of vomiting empties the lungs still more.

Another major advance in the management of children with asthma is the realization that many are sensitive to the microscopic house dust mite which is found in dust almost everywhere and lives off shed skin. Measures to keep down the amount of dust in the house and ensure that the child is not in the house during dusting have been remarkably effective in reducing the number and severity of attacks in sensitive individuals. The house dust mite prefers damp houses and takes some months to take up residence in a new house, thereby explaining why some children in the past have improved when moving house.

In addition, there are now much more effective drugs available to cut short an attack of asthma. For all these reasons, and provided preventive measures are *started early, asthma in childhood should* no longer be regarded with the dread that it has been in the past.

Hugh Jolly

Dr Jolly regrets that he is unable to enter into any correspondence.

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Time we British stopped kicking ourselves

For the British, 50 years ago, it was the done thing to conceal achievement with unassuming modesty. In contrast to the Americans, at that time clamant in their boasts to be bigger, richer and more efficient than any other guys in the world, we British were gently self-deprecating. Our engineering products were renowned for quality and after-service, our shipping and insurance extended to every corner of the globe and sterling was the currency which sustained more than half the total trade of all nations.

Two generations later, self-deprecation has developed into self-denigration. Quiet confidence has been replaced by gossipy lack of it. Through the media and throughout public life, management is accused of inefficiency and lack of drive and the workforce is derided for its greed and sloth. To foreign eyes, this is yet another symptom of "the English disease"—the masochistic ritual of kicking oneself when down.

The latest victim of such suicidal tendencies is the City. Certainly the fuel has been to hand to feed the fire. The failure of the fringe banks, the dark cloud of economic forecasts and the atmosphere of political uncertainties have brought stock market prices to their lowest levels for over 15 years. But other financial centres—New York, Tokyo, and now Frankfurt—have suffered from similar failures of major businesses without such severe reaction.

The current investment situation in London should be looked at from a broader international viewpoint to assess whether market levels now over-discount the future. And in particular to appraise the opportunities available to oil-producing states for the recycling of their massive oil revenues.

First, consider the reputation of London in the eyes of the Arabs. Decry our institutions here at home as we may, the City of London enjoys an unparalleled reputation overseas. Its integrity is unquestioned. When a City agent is acting for an overseas client, there is no doubt that the client will come first should a conflict of interest arise. At a recent business seminar in Kuwait, an Arab spokesman said simply: "We know we can trust London".

Second, the essence of successful investment is timing. Human nature is prone to bouts of over-optimism at the peaks of booms and over-pessimism at the nadirs of slumps. And it is human nature that governs the levels of security markets. It is difficult to imagine greater pessimism than exists today, and the levels of markets in both government securities and ordinary shares more than discount the worst. Finally, investment outlook at the present time is notoriously short-term.

To see the prospect in proper perspective, step outside the encircling gloom and see Britain as it *really* is: a country in the throes of severe short-term political uncertainty, but with industrial order books at exceptionally high levels, industrial management of high calibre which needs only to recover its self-confidence and a skilled labour force which needs an assurance of a future and a fair deal.

Ahead lies the asset of substantial new reserves of fuel (not only oil but coal and natural gas as well) which will provide the wherewithal to repay short-term indebtedness within the next few years and which will, too, bolster our future balance of payments. Of all the countries in Europe, Britain must offer the greatest promise.

While few investors at home have seen the gleam at the end of the tunnel, there are cheering indications that others, particularly the Arabs, have already and more wisely looked beyond the dark.

An injection of external funds at the present time would have an effect far in excess of the sums involved. Investment from overseas could spark off the return of confidence that is so sorely needed. And that revived confidence would provide the additional strength that sterling needs to tide Britain over the next two to three years, reduce the costs of imports and lower the excessive rate of interest that is now required to attract funds from abroad. In the unrelieved gloom of the past few months, this is an exciting prospect.

The links between the Arab world and this country have been forged over many generations of mutual regard. The City now should work to promote and expand that relationship, which can only be to our common long-term advantage.

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Gallery tots up a list of reasons for rejecting the Royal Academy's request for the loan of certain Turners for an exhibition to celebrate the bicentenary of the artist—one of the great benefactors of the national collections. He argues, inter alia, that visitors to the exhibition would have to pay, whereas the Trustees of the National Gallery opposed charging.

It all depends, as they say, what one means by "opposing". The irrefutable fact is that the Trustees (whose legal—and sole—responsibility it was) imposed the charges when the Tory Government favoured them, and only removed them when the present Labour Government kept the promise (made when I was Shadow Spokesman for the Arts) to consign such charges to kingdom come.

And had the Trustees sought the artist's views on the prospects of any profits from the exhibition accruing to the Royal Academy (very likely to be used for financing its schools) they might have settled the dust of Turner's poor old heart, disturbed at their earlier disregard of his will over charging.

What many of us now hope for from the Board of the National Gallery is a positive—and public—lead on one of the direct dangers threatening the future good health of all the public collections of this country. I mean, of course, the proposed wealth tax on works of art. Let us hope that the Trustees' shilly-shallying over museum charges does not constitute a bad augury on this crucial matter.

The Standing Commission on Museums and Galleries and the Museums' Association have already supported the Committee of "Heritage in Danger" (set up by some "good eggs", to quote Sir John Betjeman!) in warning that the inevitable outcome of an annual wealth tax on works of art would be the dispersal abroad—and for ever—of much of our country's artistic and historical heritage.

The author is Labour MP for Warley East.

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How Mr Powell finally received the call from Ulster

Belfast

On a summer evening three years ago Mr Enoch Powell was standing next to an official of the South Down Unionist Association in the passenger concourse of Aldergrove Airport. He had been speaking at a constituency meeting in Banbridge and the Unionist had driven him back to Belfast with a few minutes to spare before the flight was called. Suddenly overwhelmed by curiosity, the Ulsterman turned to the Tory MP and asked if he would give more time to Northern Ireland, perhaps in tangible form. "If I get the call", came the immediate reply, "I will not ignore it." The Mr Powell stomped off to the check-in desk.

Even the Unionists who do not entirely trust Mr Powell—and there are plenty of them in the farming country of west Ulster—will admit that in Northern Ireland terms he has been nothing short of consistent. The same Unionist official who stood in the airport lounge three years ago was last night sitting in the drab Orange Hall at Dromore, just up the road from Banbridge, examining an application for parliamentary candidacy from the man who did not ignore the call when at last it came.

True to form, Mr Powell was making no public statements during the day for it is his style in Northern Ireland to project other people rather than himself and the Protestants like him for it. It has always been the Unionist Party which has had to ask him to stand, it was always the Unionist Party which won victories at Westminster, and it has always been the Unionists who have tried to show that democracy—in the majority "loyalist" sense of the word—would win in the end with the downfall of imposed British solutions like the power-sharing executive. *The Protestants have risen to their feet* when Mr Powell took the platform, not because he adopted the techniques of Mr Craig and Mr Paisley, offering himself as another Carson to lead the fearful from the Valley of Republicanism—but because he only claimed to be an interpreter, making the Protestants the heroes instead of himself.

The magic has worked again and again, in Belfast and even in doubting Fermanagh. Not long after direct rule he delivered a long speech in Enniskillen in which he said there should never be a Stormont Parliament again. Protestants were threatening civil war at the time because they had just lost that very symbol of their ascendancy, but Mr Powell, his eyes flicking from one side to the other and his finger wagging demonstratively, told his audience that they would win their fight to stay British and to a man they rose and cheered him again and again.

So far Mr Powell's belief that the revival of Stormont would do Ulster no good has had little effect on his supporters, many of whom say that he agreed with the Loyalist policy document (which incorporates a kind of Kilbrandon local government) published at the Unionists' North Antrim conference last spring. "Mr Powell has said he accepts our Portrush document", one of the South Down constituency officials said this week.

In South Down, of course, Mr Powell will find in-built support. Captain Orr, the sitting MP, picked up 31,088 votes in the February election with a majority of more than 5,000 over his Catholic Social Democratic and Labour Party rival. This was at a time when Captain Orr was rarely visiting the province and when Mr Faulkner had told moderate Unionists to abstain

But the speeches are likely to be much the same as those he has made before in Ulster. On a national level, there will be condemnation of Government over spending—he told Belfast businessmen back in 1968 that governments were misusing their "Midas power" by increasing money demand faster than productivity—and for grass roots Ulstermen the approach can be more direct.

But the most insistent call to have come from Ulster's latest prophet has been the demands for integration, for Northern Ireland to identify totally with the United Kingdom. For many Protestants it is his strongest card but it is also his weakest, for it emphasizes the flaw which could ultimately do more harm to Mr Powell that his political opponents could dream of.

Throughout his career, he has taken the view that governments cannot legislate against reality, that it was a vice of successive administrations to think they could abolish fact by Parliamentary Bills.

The Powell theory is that if the province is integrated, its Westminster representation increased and its local Parliament abolished, then Protestants and Catholics will know that the border and partition will never again be relevant issues and violence of itself will fade away. But even Mr Craig and Mr Paisley, the two politicians who have more prestige to lose than any others by Ulster's new political star, could have told Mr Powell that in Ulster, too, reality cannot be overcome by legislation at Westminster. Whatever sway he held in the House of Commons, Mr Powell's own support in Northern Ireland will falter when the people he has held up as heroes realize that the principle cannot work. The Provisional IRA long ago realized the reality of two communities divided by centuries.

Robert Fisk



Mr Powell with the Rev Martin Smyth, leader of the Orange Order, at a conference in Portrush, co Antrim.

Indian deal may strengthen claim to Kashmir

The Indian Government appears to be edging slowly towards an historic accommodation with Shaikh Mohammad Abdullah, the venerable "Lion of Kashmir", after some 20 years during most of which he has been banned from political activity, spending a good part of the time in prison or under house arrest.

After nearly two years of intermittent negotiations between emissaries of Shaikh Abdullah and Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, both sides would seem to have staked too much on a successful outcome to admit of failure now, whatever misgivings may still linger.

For Mrs Gandhi an accommodation with Shaikh Abdullah is a tempting prize. For it would greatly strengthen the political, as opposed to strictly legal, legitimacy of India's claim to Kashmir, of which about a third, in the north and west, has been in Pakistani hands since 1948.

India's legal claim to the whole of Kashmir (and Jammu) rests on the panic-stricken decision of the state's former Hindu Maharaja to accede to India in 1947 so as to provide a constitutional basis for the dispatch of Indian troops to drive out tribal raiders from Pakistan.

The fact that the wishes of the overwhelmingly Muslim population, which might reasonably have been expected to opt for Pakistan rather than India, were never consulted, and the Indian promise of a plebiscite, never redeemed, weakened Delhi's position.

Successive Indian spokesmen at the United Nations and elsewhere, have argued that the commitment to a plebiscite was always conditional upon Pakistan's ending its "illegal occupation" of so-called "Azad" (free) Kashmir. But in reality India decided against a plebiscite long ago.

The return to power in Srinagar on the basis of free elections of a mellowed Shaikh Abdullah, who now publicly proclaims his loyalty to the Indian Constitution, would undermine Pakistan's claim that Indian citizenship is being imposed against their will on the five million inhabitants of Indian-held Kashmir.

The main difficulty is that Shaikh Abdullah wants a reversion in principle to the terms under which Kashmir originally acceded to India. These limited Delhi's authority in the state to defence, foreign affairs and communications—a special status endorsed by Article 370 of the Indian Constitution.

Since 1953, when Shaikh Abdullah was arrested and dismissed as Prime Minister of Kashmir because of his advocacy of independence for the state, Article 370 has been much—though never entirely—eroded. The Shaikh wants its validity to be reaffirmed.

This is a matter of great sensitivity for Delhi. Before 1953, for example, the Governor of Kashmir was elected by the State Legislature instead of being nominated, as in all other states, by the Central Government. Mrs Gandhi is not prepared to countenance a return to this practice.

A compromise is understood to have been worked out whereby Mrs Gandhi would nominate the Governor in consultation with Shaikh Abdullah who would in turn consult the State Legislature. The Governor would revert to his old Urdu title of Sardar-I-Riyasat (Head of State).

The Shaikh may be allowed to style himself Wazir-I-Azam (literally "great minister"), which gets round the problem of whether he should be called Prime Minister, as before 1953, or merely Chief Minister, the less sovereign-sounding title enjoyed by the heads of other state governments.

There are difficulties, too, about the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, which has been extended to Kashmir since 1953, but these are not insurmountable. Nor does the Shaikh seem disposed to make an issue of the mass of post-1953 financial legislation extended to Kashmir.

The main question now concerns the mechanics of Shaikh Abdullah's return to power. He himself is pressing for the dissolution of the present congress-dominated state legislature and the early holding of fresh elections, which his former political organisation, the once banned plebiscite front, would contest in alliance with the Congress Party.

The Shaikh's party, whose name would have to be changed (probably to the People's Front), could expect to win a clear majority. But congress would be likely to do well in the Hindu-majority area of Jammu. So there would be a basis for a coalition government.

Nonetheless, many Indians worry about what might happen when the Shaikh, who is 68 and not in particularly good health, departs from the scene. They fear that his immense personal following might look to younger and more radical leaders much less ready to cooperate with the central government.

There is also concern here that reaffirmation by the Indian Government of Kashmir's special status could intensify pressure for greater autonomy from other states such as Nagaland and Tamil Nadu (Madras). As one Indian commentator put it, "it is easier to open Pandora's box than to put the lid back on".

Michael Hornsby

Game of chance that led to Sudan coups

Democracy on Trial, by Mohamed Ahmed Mahgoub. Andre Deutsch, £4.95.

Not many heads or members of governments who have been at the receiving end of one or more of Africa's *coups d'etat* survive freely enough to tell the story. The coup formula itself seems easy enough everywhere these days; a handful of soldiers pick up their arms, roll down the street in a few tanks, surround the radio station and official residences, and hardly anyone seems to oppose them. But the men toppled do not find it as easy to come back.

Mohamed Ahmed Mahgoub did return to power. Between 1956 and 1969, when his end of the seesaw was up, he was Foreign Minister and then Prime Minister of the Sudan; when it was down he was either interned or under house arrest. Now he is in self-exile in London. Twice he was ousted by the Sudanese army, first as Foreign Minister and then as Prime Minister; and in between he found office again through the phenomenon of civilian demonstrators ousting military rulers—though, of course, with the acquiescence of some of the soldiery.

The author, by profession a lawyer and judge as well as politician, somehow makes it all seem a little like a game. His recollections, too, have the flavour of self-justification so familiar when past ministers tell their stories. Perhaps a certain naivete carries with it some protection in the Sudan, for since independence in 1956 the art of ruling and power-seeking there has been anything but a game.

It was in May, 1969, that Mahgoub was overthrown for the last time as Prime Minister. His nephew, a brigadier, came to warn him late one night that some officers were plotting his downfall, and next day the Prime Minister called in the army commander-in-chief, who promised to investigate. Twenty-four hours later that general reported that the information was unfounded. Mahgoub assumed that this appraisal came from the Director of Military Intelligence whom he trusted; only later did he discover that this officer was on holiday, and the false reassurance had come from his deputy, whom the government knew was one of the plotters.

When later in the same month the plotters duly struck, the Prime Minister was informed that "apparently" there had been a coup. "Not 'apparently', but very definitely." Was the Prime Ministerial answer. "I can see the soldiers around the house."

Mahgoub says that the late President Nasser was involved in that plot, in spite of services which he had rendered the Egyptian President in particular two years before when he extricated Nasser from the Yemen war. It was in his house in Khartum that Nasser and King Faisal of Saudi Arabia agreed to end the war.

On June 9, when he resigned for a few hours, there were, according to Nasser, only 400 soldiers between Ismailia, in the Suez Canal, and his house in Cairo. The reason, he told Mahgoub, was that about 50,000 troops were in the Yemen.

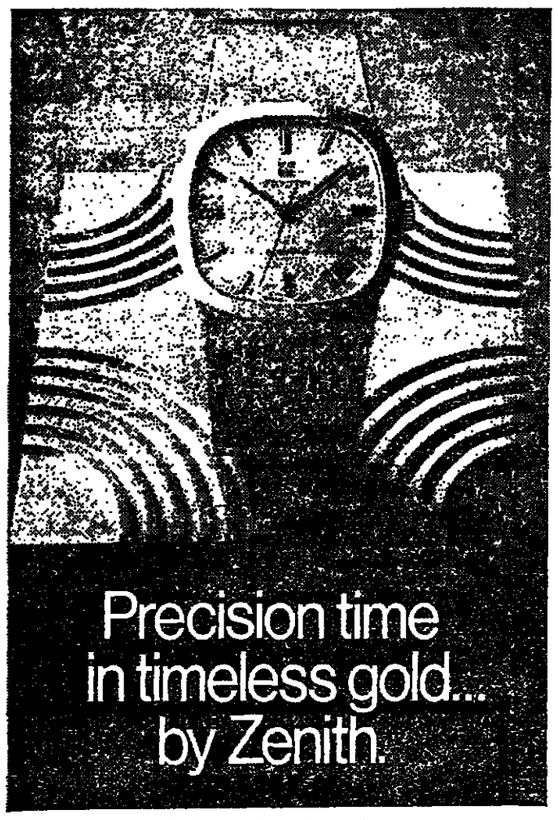
It is the habit of Arab governments to break off diplomatic relations with each other and with others whenever they feel displeased or injured, and Mahgoub has some interesting remarks about British and American responses to these tactics.

Sudan broke off with both countries because of the Six Day War; but while Britain, unruffled, continued to trade and give economic aid, the United States emphatically did not. And yet, in November the following year when Mahgoub suffered a cerebral stroke and was taken to London for treatment, the late President Johnson, who was then ending his term of office in Washington, sent a specialist by special airplane to London to attend to the Sudanese Prime Minister.

The Americans are sentimentalists, and the British are not. "The British", Mahgoub remarks, "have no permanent friends or permanent enemies in politics—only permanent interests". This tart comment was prompted by Britain having maintained good relations with the generals in the Sudan who seized power between 1958 and 1964. Britain, Mahgoub thought, being the mother of democracy should not have offered such an affront to democracy.

Mahgoub proclaims his faith in democracy, even in Africa where it has wilted on all sides. "I have always believed that the remedy for faulty democracy is more democracy and more liberties, not their suppression", he says. The present period of one-party or military hegemony in the "vast vibrant African continent" must, he thinks, pass Naivete again, or vision?

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More parties than the party

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On the surface, a conference of the TUC has similarities with a conference of the Labour Party—especially this one, which is being examined by commentators as much for its political as for its industrial implications. To begin with, many trades *unionists go* to the party conference, just as several Labour MPs—led by yesterday's star, James Callaghan—are in Brighton.

Then there are the same bands of people outside the conference selling or giving away left-wing publications. FASCISTS ROUTED IN LEICESTER says one exciting headline. JOBS: IS YOURS NEXT TO GO? asks another, worryingly, making me wonder again how many spelling mistakes there are in today's diary.

One notable difference, though, is the shortage of fringe meetings at the TUC. At party conferences a wide choice of meetings of special interest groups takes place every evening. Here we had the *Tribune* meeting on Sunday but since then I have had only three brought to my attention—one on Vietnam, one on stopping the National Front and one advocating support for the new *Scottish Daily News*.

I asked a veteran why this was. "No meetings here," he explained. "Only parties." Every evening and lunchtime delegates can pick from numerous receptions given by the participating unions.

The one most people turned up at on Monday night, braving the strong gale, was given by Clive Jenkins's Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs (ASTMS). A colleague explained: "Jenkins is not popular with some sections of the movement but even his most implacable enemies come to drink his whisky."

One reason for his unpopularity is that his union has a reputation for poaching members from the territory of others. Out of 25 demarcation disputes mentioned in this year's General Council report, eight involved ASTMS. Moreover, the Disputes Committee decided in Jenkins's favour in six of them, which cannot have helped his popularity.

Still, jealousies among unions do not prevent cordiality between the leaders themselves. Before last night's party there was a potentially pregnant confrontation in a hotel lobby between Jenkins and Hugh Scanlon, the engineers' leader. Scanlon showed his good will by striking Jenkins cordially on the back and saying: "Sorry, Clive—", apologizing for the engineers' failure to vote for Jenkins in the elections for the General Council.

At his party, Jenkins was a mite less effervescent than usual, even a trifle twitchy. No doubt he was over-excited about the next day's announcement of the results of the General Council voting.

Jenkins had recovered well enough by lunchtime yesterday, when he delivered in the conference hall a riproaring attack on the House of Lords and the hereditary principle. The only qualification of hereditary peers, he said, was the "undistinguished history of their predecessors". They should not be given a voice in industrial relations legislation.

His speech was well received, but I tracked down a non-believer in the bar later. He is Leif Mills, leader of the National Union of Bank Employees, who described Jenkins's speech as "sixth form debating stuff". Mill's union has a longstanding feud with Jenkins, claiming he is trying to poach their territory.

Mills is not here as a delegate, since his union has been expelled from the TUC because of its cooperation with the Industrial Relations Act, and is unlikely to be readmitted. He was here just for the day, having a little snoop.

Discipline

Something else that distinguishes this affair from party conferences is the strict discipline imposed by the chairman. So far, everything has taken place exactly according to schedule. Speakers hardly ever have to be told about sticking to their time, and debate is cut short ruthlessly when it looks like getting out of hand.

On Monday afternoon, for instance, there was considerable interest in the debate about whether to abolish the separate women's TUC meeting. More than a dozen people, many of them women, wanted to speak, but after only five speakers had been heard the chairman called for a vote (the motion to abolish separatism was lost) and the meeting ended at almost its exact scheduled time of five.

That debate, incidentally, did produce the choicest quote of the conference so far. Hirley Miles, of the Engineering Union said: "Women have two problems—capitalism and men. Men only have one". There were loud cries of dissent from the predominently male audience. *Margaret Morrison, of the Civil* Service Union, said she looked forward to the day when more women would come to the congress, leaving their husbands behind to look after the children.

When I came to the Dome I was surprised by the large size of the tearoom: but the organizers clearly know their trade unionists. At the peak mid-morning and mid-afternoon periods there are not enough tables to go round and there seem to be more delegates there than in the hall itself. By their casual approach to attending the sessions delegates are possibly in training to be MPs.

Masterly

James Callaghan has become the Laurence Olivier of British politics. It is almost impossible to envisage that he could ever play his part wrong. His speech to Congress yesterday was exactly right for the audience and fully deserved the standing ovation which, after a delay, it was finally given.

It was so packed with masterly moments that it is hard to pick out the best. Was it the initial joke about Clive Jenkins? Or the dramatic highlight when, talking about the social contract, he raised his voice a decibel and, pointing his finger at the workers, shouted: "The responsibility is your?" I think it was neither of those but the moment towards the end when he spoke about his first attendance at a congress 37 years ago. He rolled off the names of great union figures who had been on the platform, of whom he was in great awe. At that moment he chose to take out his handkerchief and give a light, quite noncommittal sniff.

He was not much put out by his heckler, a large man with a porkpie hat and a nearly indecipherable northern accent, whom the stewards took an undue time to remove. When he was gone Callaghan took the trick by declaring: "That's what freedom's about, comrades". Then he reported a suggestion by someone on the platform that he man might be Edward Heath in disguise.

I was sorry for Gldys Bunn,



the fraternal delegate from the Cooperative Union, who had to follow Callaghan at the rostrum. Yet she put up a brave show, pointing out that she was the first woman ever to be nominated to attend congress by her organization, a distinction even Callaghan was unable to claim.

Temerity

Alastair Burnet, known to millions as the twinkle-eyed anchorman of *Panorama* and to hundreds as editor of *The Economist*, finds himself in a quandary this week. The latest issue of his magazine carries a report criticizing John Sainsbury's suggestion that sugar rationing should be introduced. The suggestion was described in the report as "particularly damaging" and likely to encourage panic buying. Not surprisingly, since Sainsbury is a director of *The Economist*, he did not take kindly to this criticism, and in this Friday's *Economist* there will be a sharp reply from him

This should clear some murky air. Shortly after last week's story appeared, Sainsbury was on the phone to Burnet in a rather peevish mood. Burnet, who is a thorough and professional journalist, was not unduly upset. He told me: "We feel we have the right to criticize directors. The situation has even arisen when we have, with temerity, criticized our chairman."

Sainsbury, a jolly, laughing man, said he would have liked the opportunity to "give the facts" before the sugar article appeared.

Burnet becomes editor of *Daily Express* in October, and it will be interesting to see whether he then criticizes Sir Max Aitken, chairman of Beaverbrook Newspapers.

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THE LAST CHANCE GOVERNMENT

The British public feel great concern but also great uncertainty about the now expected election; both the concern and the uncertainty are justified. If there is still a chance to stop inflation before the explosive final stage is reached, that chance will be given to the next government in the next Parliament. Another failed Parliament would almost certainly leave things too late for the crisis of ultimate inflation to be arrested. If Britain does experience an inflation that wipes out the existing currency, many people will be ruined and democracy will be endangered. The importance of the election is therefore that it will choose the last chance Parliament.

Strong case

Yet even before the election is announced, people know that they are going to have the greatest difficulty in deciding how to cast their votes. The case against each party seems very strong; the case for each party seems weak. Few people feel confident that any party, or any coalition that can be formed without the Labour Party, has both the policy and the political strength to stop in full career the most formidable inflation, with the greatest momentum, that Britain has ever known.

There is a case for each party. There are two main grounds on which people might well vote Labour in order to meet the crisis. The Labour Party has the advantage of trade union loyalties which can still, though not invariably, tip the balance of union decisions in favour of moderation. The social compact is not an adequate policy to stop inflation; it is very unlikely to have as much success as the three phases of the last Government's statutory policy; but it is better than downright union hostility. The Labour Party has also been learning in government; Mr Callaghan, perhaps the most powerful of Mr Wilson's colleagues, has been much influenced by his experience as Foreign Secretary. The process of experience is strengthening the position of the moderates in the Cabinet, such as Mr Jenkins, Mr Crosland, Mr Prentice, Mrs Williams or Mr Lever.

Yet it cannot be said that the Labour Party looks like being able to master the present situation. Mr Wilson is not an adequate Prime Minister for a period which would require a much deeper and a much firmer political character than he has shown at any time of his career. Mr Healey is still an apprentice and rather inflationary Chancellor and there is not the time to spare for him to learn the job. Industry has no confidence in the industry ministers, and particularly resents Mr Benn's policy; Mr Benn has made the mistake of alienating industry first and asking for cooperation only second.

The great majority of the electorate mistrusts state socialism in the form approved by the Labour Party Conference, and mistrusts militant trade unionism. The probability is that the return of a Labour Government with an overall majority would be followed by a spasm of rejection as the country actually experienced the 20 per cent inflation and one million unemployed which are now only too likely to occur. The Labour Party might or might not remain united under these pressures. The issue of Europe would also divide the Labour Party, and the present Labour policy on Europe stands in the way of negotiating a strong joint European policy to fight inflation. You cannot simultaneously renegotiate Europe, under threat of a referendum, and work effectively with Europe.

The case for the Conservatives is that they were prepared to fight the last election on the need to restrain inflationary wage increases, that they are naturally European in their foreign policies—as Mr Callaghan now is, but some of the Cabinet are not. Mr Carr seems to be working towards an economic policy of gradual monetary deflation, combined with a last resort incomes policy, which makes reasonable sense.

Poor shape

Yet the Conservatives do not have a hold on the country. The unions regard them as an enemy, and the hostility of the unions would be a threat not only to them, but to their national policy. Mr Heath is a man of integrity and courage; he tries to deal seriously with great issues; unfortunately he is not a great leader either in national or party terms. The nation does not look to him in an hour of difficulty, and his party is in poor shape. The promise to abolish domestic rates, throwing another burden on the general tax fund, is an act of ill-considered folly which cuts at the central disinflationary theme of the Conservative programme.

The Liberals have their advantages too. Their first big advantage is that they are not the Conservative Party; their second big advantage is that they are not the Labour Party. They are not associated with past failures, nor with present prejudices; they are not seen as the creatures of the trade unions nor as too closely associated with industry and the City. Mr Thorpe is probably the best campaigner of the three party leaders. Their policies are firmly European and Mr Thorpe is frank about the probable need for a wages freeze. The Liberals still benefit from the feeling of hope that attaches to a party which has not had responsibility for the recent decline of Britain.

Lacking experience

Yet the Liberals have not made the headway in the short Parliament that the public expected of them, even if the expectation was asking too much of fourteen members. They lack experience, and in particular they lack a major economic spokesman. When listening to Mr Thorpe one can believe in the intention to overcome inflation, but when listening to Mr Pardoe one cannot believe in the practical proposals. As the Liberals would presumably come to power, if at all, as part of a coalition, the Liberal divisions on the subject of coalition are disappointing. A large Liberal Party would be no guarantee of stable Government in the next Parliament.

The election is likely to produce an increase in the numbers of Scottish Nationalists and, with Mr Enoch Powell, an accession of parliamentary effectiveness to the Ulster Unionists. We would welcome Mr Powell back, while dissenting strongly from the majority of his views; cogency of mind strengthens the process of Parliament. Yet this troop of Ulster and Scottish nationalists is likely to make the next Parliament more ungovernable than the present; the new Parliament will also face a later and more dangerous stage in the economic crisis.

In this situation, with the cup of power very probably a poisoned chalice, and almost any outcome of an autumn election quite conceivable, many electors will remain for the present undecided; indeed many may not make a final decision until the campaign is over and they find themselves in the polling booth. That may well be right. The last chance is not one that should be taken lightly, nor is the decision one that needs to be made until each party has explained exactly how it would overcome this crisis, the worst economic crisis in forty years.

SUPPLEMENTARY POCKETMONEY BENEFIT

The Commons Expenditure Committee has been having a look at educational maintenance allowances, last officially examined by a departmental working party in 1957. These are grants which local education authorities are empowered to pay to enable pupils to remain at school beyond compulsory age without hardship to themselves or their parents. They are one brick in the imperfect edifice of equal educational opportunity for all.

The committee was struck, as others are, by marked unevenness between L.e.a.s. in the number of grants paid, the amounts and the qualifying income of parents. It finds this unfair, and proposes that the unfairness be removed by substituting mandatory for discretionary grants payable on a uniform scale and uniform assessment of need. That would answer the objection, but it is yet another instance of the recommended removal of a local discretion in favour of uniformity. What price decentralization? There is a contradiction in current political debate between the tendency to favour devolution on general grounds and the preferences for centralist recommendations when particular social or economic questions are examined. The contradiction, if it cannot be better resolved, carries some risk of the enactment of devolutionary schemes which will quickly be found unsatisfactory in many particulars.

Of course it may be that educational maintenance allowances are one of a class of things—welfare benefits—which ought to be uniform throughout even a well decentralized political system. But it is hard to see how uniformity in these grants, which exist to promote equality of educational opportunity, should be thought to be any more appropriate than uniformity in the standards of educational provision, which is also conducive to equality of opportunity. (That is certainly an argument which many would wish to use concerning comprehensive secondary schooling.) And in that case what is left for devolution in the educational system?

The Expenditure Committee also encountered arguments from unions of teachers and students for changing the basis on which these grants are paid. They were introduced to assist needy parents to do well by their children in the matter of education. This the committee was informed is an out-of-date idea. Pupils of that age should be enabled to maintain themselves at school by being given direct access to the public purse. They should be paid a school wage. Alternatively all parents should be reimbursed in the cost of maintaining their children at school beyond compulsory age.

The committee was not seduced by these opinions. It does however make one rather clumsy gesture of acknowledgment to them. A proportion of the grant it says, about a third, taking in the eating, clothing and pocketmoney constituents of it, should be paid direct to the pupil and the rest to his parents. If state pocketmoney is a good idea, which it is not—if schoolchildren would benefit in self-esteem or otherwise from a public pension, which they would not—why should this boon be conferred on the 30,000 schoolchildren or so whose parents take up a maintenance allowance and withheld from the 500,000 or so whose parents do not?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Industry's output capability

From Mr Gerhard Fischer

Sir, During the forthcoming election campaign, politicians of all colours will no doubt, according to their different lights, strive to make a great deal of political capital out of the causes and the evils of the three-day week, coupled with prognostications about the danger of its reoccurrence.

Might it not be in the greater interests of the country if a few courageous people, regardless of which party, could bring themselves to remind everyone of the *real* lesson to be learnt? British industry can (and did) produce in only three days almost the same volume of output which previously took five days or more. The actual drop in production has been reckoned at only 3½ per cent.

Conversely, after reverting from the three-day week to the five-day week (an increase of 66⅔ per cent in working time) actual production rose by only 2 per cent.

Surely the conclusions to be drawn must be obvious to everyone, namely that British industry has on its balance sheet an immensely valuable and hidden asset: slack time. If only this were fully understood by all concerned, and if daily production across a five-day week were to become comparable to the daily production which was achieved during the three-day week, confidence in British industry and consequential investment would not merely be restored, but would almost instantly put Britain back into the lead among industrial nations—to the benefit of every single member of the nation, whether trade unionist, manager, pensioner or even politician.

Yours faithfully,
GERHARD FISCHER,
Longmead,
Lindfield,
Sussex.
August 30.

Turner at the Academy

From Mr Alexander Faris

Sir, The National Gallery and the Royal Academy are separated from each other by a distance little greater than the length of the Louvre. Are your indignant correspondents not prepared to walk so far in the open air? Surely the two institutions could mount simultaneous and complementary Turner exhibitions instead of squabbling about it.

Yours faithfully,
ALEXANDER FARIS,
118D Regent's Park Road, NW1.
September 1.

From Professor L. J. Herrmann

Sir, Poor Turner! Even when his memory and art are to be honoured by an exhibition marking the bicentenary of—his birth his unique care to make an unrivalled collection of his work available for ever to the British public will again be frustrated. All the nine Turners at the National Gallery were left to the nation by the artist himself—two, as stated by Professor Hale (August 31), as a specific bequest to the National Gallery to hang in perpetuity next to two named works by Claude; the rest forming part of the Turner Bequest.

Turner built up a large fortune in order to provide a home for indigent artists and to create a gallery, open to all free of charge, to house the 300 or so canvases and over 19,000 drawings which he had retained throughout his career. His will was disputed and turned aside because of a legal quibble, but the paintings and drawings were retained for the nation. They have been a frequent cause of dispute and frustration ever since, and Turner's dream of an ordered display under one roof of a representative collection of all his work has never been realized.

Today the collection is divided between the National and Tate Galleries and the British Museum, and a considerable number of paintings are on loan to provincial galleries. This is certainly more in keeping with modern ideas concerning the display and preservation of art treasures than Turner's own plan.

However, one might have hoped that at least for the unprecedented assemblage of his work which will comprise this memorial exhibition his wishes would have been respected and adhered to as much as possible by the Trustees of his own gifts to the nation. Surely he would have wanted such masterpieces as "The Fighting Téméraire" and "Rain, Steam and Speed" to be included.

Yours faithfully,
LUKE HERRMANN,
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Department of the History of Art,
University Road, Leicester.
September 1.

Management of childbirth

From Mrs Jane Hill

Sir, It is distressing that Baroness Summerskill should be so out of touch with the conditions in many modern maternity hospitals as her letter (August 29) reveals. The impersonality of these institutions, the way they can destroy a woman's dignity and the absence of real communication between obstetrician and patient provide reason for some women preferring home confinements.

The greater rest and relaxation available at home, when local council-employed home helpers perform domestic chores, and the mother is protected from other women's newly born babies and the bustle of hospital routine, powerfully reinforce this preference.

I suggest that the Baroness should find out why sufficient women dislike hospital confinement for the organizations she abhors to flourish, before she praises so wholeheartedly the modern trend in the management of childbirth.

Yours truly,
JANE HILL, Member of the Association for Improvement in Maternity Services,
17 Beechwood Avenue,
Kew Gardens,
Richmond,
Surrey.
August 30.

Young people and authority

From the Chairman of the Thames Valley Police Authority

Sir, I was sorry to learn that there is in your leader today (August 30) an implication that the Thames Valley Police are down on innocent holiday-makers and that a pop festival cannot be held peacefully in this area. The truth is that this is very much a tourist area and that a successful pop festival is held annually in Reading with every co-operation between police and organisers.

You say that festivals leave a mess, are noisy and produce startling clothes, and imply that this is all. If this were so, too much complaint would be unreasonable. But the records also show evidence of public fornication, public defecation, thefts and flagrant drug abuse, including use of the harder drugs. It is the people of Windsor who are the victims in this affair, not those thousands who descended on the town for what they knew was an illegal function.

If somebody wants to hold in the Thames Valley area a festival of pop or of anything else acceptable, let them find somewhere to do it legally, and then their organizers will get all the police cooperation they could wish.

Yours faithfully,
FRANCIS BUTTERS, Chairman,
Thames Valley Police Authority,
Shire Hall,
Reading,
Berkshire.
August 30.

From the Rev Donald Harris

Sir, Everyone I speak to asks the same question: As the festival was illegal why was it allowed to happen at all? Would someone kindly tell us?

Yours faithfully,
DONALD B. HARRIS.
St Paul's Vicarage.
Wilton Place, SW1.
August 30.

Football hooliganism

From the Reverend J. H. S. Burton

Sir, when the Reverend J. W. Cole writes to you under the heading "Football Hooliganism" that "Hooliganism will continue as a perversion, induced by society, until that society understands its adolescent males and meets their innate biological needs for a gang, a territory and a goal etc", I respectfully submit that he is talking "innate biological" rot since presumably, ever since we were cave-men, our adolescents have had the same "innate biological needs" and considerably fewer channels in which to satisfy them than are now provided, not only by age-old sporting activities but also by such things as the Outward Bound centres and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme to name but two.

The difference is that in the past the tribal elders, and later the leaders in Church and State and in the homes and schools, were able to control and curb any anti-social expression of "innate biological needs", but nowadays we hear nonsense about "police brutality", "self-expression" etc, whenever a really firm line is taken.

It should be clearly understood that there are plenty of young people in our youth organizations, especially in the uniformed organizations which give a sense of belonging to an honourable rather than an anti-social gang, who while in no way lacking the normal biological urges, channel them into useful activities which both develop their own bodies, minds and spirits and make them useful members of society. But unfortunately they are not news.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN H. S. BURTON,
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September 2.

Indiscipline in universities

From Dr J. D. G. Evans

Sir, Professor Caldin's letter (August 26) on indiscipline in our universities is a salutary reminder to the larger community, both as private individuals and in their capacity as public servants, of their duty in this matter. But of course the primary responsibility must lie with the dons; and their reputation among the discerning may actually suffer as a result of the simplifications contained in his letter. Two points will illustrate this.

First, it will have escaped no close observer of modern universities, here or elsewhere in the world, that the single most important factor in promoting student activism is the active sympathy of a significant percentage of the staff. This element in the situation is minimized in Professor Caldin's analysis. But if inductive generalization is ever legitimate, it can be used here to show that encouragement by the staff is a necessary and sufficient condition of effective student unrest, be the latter of a peaceful and constructive or a violent and disruptive character.

Secondly, he implies that the "moderate majority" could do more to curb the excesses of the wreckers. This is true. But it must be recognized that in so exerting themselves, these *dei ex machinis*—or, more accurately, the representatives from their ranks—might come to resemble those whom they would supplant: they might then be not so acceptable to persons who see the student's main role as one of receiving instruction from his superiors in learning.

In both these respects the situation in universities has parallels with that in society at large. While informed public interest is certainly to be welcomed, there is the obvious danger that too assiduous or one-sided an application of that interest might result in the perpetration in the universities of those ills which are familiar in the larger body. As things are, the universities are managing remarkably well.

Yours faithfully,
J. D. G. EVANS,
Tutor and Praelector,
Sidney Sussex College,
Cambridge.
September 2.

HMSO printing dispute

From Mr J. W. Bolton

Sir, In view of your leader of August 22 regarding the HMSO dispute I feel it is time that someone who actually works in one of these bastions of 19th century outlook and privilege explained what it is all about. For 800 HMSO workers, a group who are hardly renowned for their militancy, to stay on strike for six weeks proves that there must be something drastically wrong with their pay and conditions.

To understand the problem one must go back five years when after various local disputes over pay, management referred the claim to the Prices and Incomes Board who recommended a separate house agreement and increases in pay. The PIB report also said that management must recognise its responsibilities as a major print employer. Now the whole raison d'etre for separate house agreements is that they enable employees to achieve better pay and conditions than those contained in the national agreements. While the unions have kept their part of the bargain HMSO management have consistently broken their promises. They assured the unions within the house agreement that workers outside the agreement would not attain better conditions; this assurance has never been kept.

You state in your leader that "there are few if any firms in Britain where workers have less than a 40 hour week". This is manifestly untrue. The NPA, ATFEF and RAGA agreements all allow for a shorter week as indeed do many house agreements throughout the country. You further state that "there has been no exploitation at all in HMSO. Printing craftsmen in HMSO are among the lowest paid print workers in the country. The Stationery Office are the leaders in computerised type-setting and hundreds of compositor's jobs have been lost because of the introduction of magnetic tapes from the GPO. No exploitation you say! We have been subsidising print for the Government for years!

One of the reasons HMSO management say they can't concede the 37½ hour week is because of the alleged effect it would have on other industrial civil servants. This is an example of the 19th century outlook mentioned earlier. Our overseers and managers are all on a shorter week and throughout the civil service a shorter working week than 40 hours is very common.

It is time the Department of Employment in the person of Michael Foot and Albert Booth looked at our claims objectively instead of slavishly accepting what they are told by the mandarins of the Civil Service Department. For many years management have run down the Stationery Offices and transferred fat printing contracts to the private sector. Let there be an end to this process and let them recognise their "special responsibilities" as leaders in printing technology. Let them stop using public money to avoid a fair settlement for a shorter working week is both justifiable and long overdue.

J. W. BOLTON, Father of the HMSO Composing Chapel,
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Middlesex.

Court Line collapse

From Major D. R. Freeman

Sir, I find it astounding that in all the articles and correspondence in the press so little attention is paid to the loss by foreign hotels. All are interested in the prospective passengers who might have lost their money and the United Kingdom creditors including the Government.

The lack of interest in the debt owed overseas seems to me quite deplorable. It is analagous to a captain and crew in a ship emergency thinking of themselves before the passengers or a manager and staff in a hotel fire thinking of themselves before the guests.

I find this national selfishness degrading and for the first time in my life am ashamed to be British.

Yours sincerely,
DERRICK R. FREEMAN,
82 West Street,
Farnham, Surrey.

Tuneful whistling

From the Headmaster of Clifton College

Sir, On what grounds do you argue (third leader, August 28) that one who whistles is *ipso facto* unlikely to be a musician? Certainly many whistlers—soldiers on the march, errand boys, milkmen, working dwarfs, etc—are not noticeably musical, but must there be something abhorrent to musicians about whistling?

The tone may be thin and the pitch high, but even a piccolo may be allowed an occasional melody in an orchestral work. Or if it be held that tunes are trivialised by being whistled, there are surely some that are suited to it. May not Haydn himself have whistled the theme that he gave to his whistling ploughman in *The Seasons* and that he used in a symphonic slow movement? Perhaps some latter-day Haydn, if such exists, could write a concerto for a whistling virtuoso, to make it a respectable activity.

I suggest, Sir, that your prejudice against whistlers is due to the sort of music that you often hear whistled and the incompetence of most whistlers. It might indeed be possible to tell from the style whether Beethoven's tune were being whistled by a supporter of the EEC, a patriotic Rhodesian, a fan of *A Clockwork Orange*, or simply a musician: if he could whistle at all, he might whistle it better. And, if he disliked its recent associations, he could always whistle one of the later variations.

Yours faithfully,
S. J. McWATTERS, Headmaster,
Clifton College, Bristol.

The treatment of mental illness

From Professor Malcolm Millar

Sir, Dr Sargant's article (August 22) is not only a movement away from the philosophical: it is a movement away from science towards the polemical.

There is no doubt that physical methods of treatment have brought immense relief to an uncountable number of patients. However, no properly controlled and extensive trials have found a single specific curative agent. Invariably these trials have either been inconclusive or have fallen far short of claims that have been made for their efficacy. The Medical Research Council's nationwide trial, for example, carried out to assess one of Dr Sargant's favourite drugs, was inconclusive. Similar studies of psychological therapies have proved equally uncertain. Yet both approaches without doubt help many.

Dr Sargant tries to convince himself and others that mental illness is in all respects similar to physical illness—it is the manifestation of a disordered brain and central nervous system. But if he is to prove his case he must point to the specific causative agents, either within the ill person or assailing him from without. Only when specific causes are identified can rational treatment begin. Physical medicine abounds in such causes. On this foundation alone has it been possible to search for, and in so many cases find, the right treatment.

The history in psychiatry has shown without exception that effective treatments have been stumbled upon by happy chance or "serendipity". The story of insulin coma treatment for schizophrenia is worth recalling for this and other salutary reasons. Sakel had first employed it in cases of addiction, finding benefit only in a schizophrenic patient. After his early accounts that 80 per cent of his schizophrenic patients recovered it was taken up as a new hope for this malignantly intractible disease throughout the world. As time went on reported recovery rates fell until they approached the untreated remission rate of about 30 per cent. It is now rarely employed. Electro-shock treatment (ECT) was thought to be a specific for the same illness. This was based on the false assumption that schizophrenics never had epileptic fits. Only later was it demonstrated that it was much more effective in depressive illness.

It should be noted that Dr Sargant's experience has been restricted to a small and selected number of patients seen in a small general hospital psychiatric unit and to private practice. On the other hand, those of us who have worked wholetime within a comprehensive mental health service, where detailed records are kept of all referrals and admissions, and where the characteristics of the population served are known, come to a very different conclusion. This conclusion is based on readmission figures now well established, showing that half of all admissions to mental hospitals in the country are readmissions.

It is, of course, well known that many notable people have suffered from mental illness and have harnessed their experiences in creative and original ways. But this surely tells us only that these exceptional people have entertained much higher aspirations than the pursuit of mental and physical health. Perhaps, too, there is a discernment that some cures are worse than some diseases. Unlike the average patient who has to do what the doctor ordered, they make their own decisions. I doubt, therefore, if John Wesley were he alive today, would consent to become a patient of either Sigmund Freud or William Sargant. He might consult his fellow Methodist and psychotherapist Dr Harry Guntrip to their mutual benefit.

Yours faithfully,
MALCOLM MILLAR,
Department of Mental Health,
Aberdeen University.

Murder of Henry VI

From Mr Jeremy Potter

Sir, Sir Robert Birley (letters, August 28) states that it cannot be proved that Richard III murdered Henry VI and then goes on to suggest otherwise. He cites only Commines, whom he finds it necessary to describe as "very reputable". There is room for more than one view about Commines, however. In the introduction to the Penguin edition, for instance, serious doubts are cast on the reliability of his Memoirs, described as "the work of an extremely bitter, devious politician".

As for his knowledge of events in England, there is no evidence that he ever visited this country. He collected much of his information from exiles, notably another extremely bitter, devious politician by the name of Henry Tudor ("He himself told me on one occasion...").

As Horace Walpole remarked some time ago, "the blind and indiscriminate zeal with which every crime committed in that bloody age was placed to Richard's account makes it greatly probable that interest of party had more hand than truth in drawing his picture".

The plain fact is that if Henry VI was anyone's victim he was Edward IV's, as Edward IV would no doubt have been Henry VI's had the battle at Tewkesbury gone the other way. A little less muddle-headed anti-Richardianism please!

Yours faithfully,
JEREMY POTTER, Chairman,
Richard III Society,
41 Woodsford Square, W14.
September 2.

Essex hamlets

From Mr H. M. Croome

Sir, Here in Essex we can surely match and perhaps surpass Dorset in our village names. We have Shellow Bowells and Willingale Spain and Good Easter and Hellions Bumpstead. We must also admit to having Mucking, Messing and Ugley!

Yours faithfully,
H. M. CROOME,
Borough Hill,
Thaxted,
Essex.
September 1.

Local authority tenants

From Mr David Lang

Sir, We have grown so used to the acquisition of privately owned property by local authorities for public purposes that few instances now cause much stir beyond the circle of those directly affected.

I should like, however, through your columns to draw attention to one case which, because of the issues it raises, may be of particular interest.

The Council of Southwark London Borough has decided to build a civic complex incorporating a new town hall at the cost of destroying some 240 or so homes (120 of which, however, they said would be replaced within the site). It is not my purpose here to debate the merits of this proposal but I should like to publicize the manner in which the acquisition took place and the resulting situation of the residents concerned.

Many of the houses involved formed part of a large estate which was until recently in private hands. At its meeting on May 9, 1973, the council approved a recommendation of the housing committee to acquire (by agreement with the owners) the estate in question. The supporting committee report included the following passage:

"Investigations were made into the feasibility of acquiring the estate for housing purposes. Structural surveys carried out on a sample of the dwelling houses indicate that the properties can be converted within the annual loss limit. The estate would form a useful addition to the council's housing stock and acquisition would prevent any hardship that might otherwise be caused to tenants on the break-up of the estate."

At the meeting on June 27, 1973, it was announced that the proposed new complex would be built on an area which included houses in the estate which the council had agreed to acquire less than two months earlier for housing purposes. Furthermore it was stated during the June meeting that a recommendation to build the Town Hall on this site had been made by a council committee seven days before the meeting on May 9.

Most of the residents are tenants and as such had full protection under the Rent Acts as long as the estate was privately owned. Now that it has been acquired over their heads by the local authority they have no security whatever. The apparent change of proposal by the council for the site makes the case all the more deplorable.

The recently published report of the Committee on One-Parent Families recommends that security of tenure should be extended to local authority tenants. The situation I have described suggests that legislation to that effect is urgently needed.

Yours faithfully,
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Jobs for the over-40s

From Mr Lionel Cohen

Sir, Latest employment statistics emphasize the plight of the over forties. In this age group the rate of unemployment is growing fastest as the current economic squeeze causes redundancies and reduces job opportunities. Many of these people are highly trained middle management or senior technicians whose loss to British industry is extremely serious. Others, like myself, include well qualified graduates who outnumber by 100 to one the few academic or research jobs now available.

This adds up to a criminal waste of talent and training. Few men and women of this age and background wish to choose between emigration or the dole queues, but such choices may become the only ones available unless we fight back. That "unity is strength" has been amply demonstrated recently by numerous militant professional groups and trade unions—and it gets results. Why not an over-forties union, then, to help secure proper public recognition of this problem? We must not sit back and just wait for something to happen. We must demand our right to work.

Yours truly,
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Plaistow, E13.
August 22.

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 3: The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded the Lady Rose Baring as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 3: The Duke of Kent today attended the Exhibition and Flying Display of the Society of British Aerospace Companies at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Air Commodore Archie Winskill.

Viscountess Hawarden is chairman of the Life-boat and Mermaid Ball which will be held at the Dorchester hotel, Park Lane, on Tuesday, December 10. Tickets at £7.50 each can be obtained from the RNLI, 21 Ebury Street, SW1W 0LD, Telephone: 01-730 0031.

A memorial service for Major Desmond Kiernan Walker, late Director of Music Welsh Guards, will be held at the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, on Wednesday, September 11, 1974, at noon.

Birthdays today

Sir Hubert Bennett, 65; Commandant Dame Margaret Drummond, 57; Mr H. J. Joel, 80; Air Chief Marshal Sir David Lee, 62; Sir William Lyons, 73.

Marriages

Mr C. Andrews and Mlle A.-H. Jarnouën de Villartay

The marriage took place on August 24 at Domfront-en-Champagne, France, between Mr Charles Andrews, son of Brigadier and Mrs G. L. W. Andrews, West Kingsteps, Nairn, Scotland, and Mlle Anne-Hélène Jarnouën de Villartay, daughter of M and Mme Robert Jarnouën de Villartay, L'Essart, La Chapelle Saint Fray, Sarthe. The bride was attended by Mlle Valérie de Montjoie and Mr Peter Duke was best man.

Baron J.-L. de Gunzburg and Miss D. Haumersen

The marriage took place yesterday in Geneva, Switzerland, of Baron Jean-Louis de Gunzburg, son of Baron Guy de Gunzburg and Baronne Jacqueline de Gunzburg, and Miss Dagmar Haumersen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Wilhelm Haumersen.

The King's School, Canterbury

Term begins on September 12 with 695 boys in the school. On the appointment of Mr P. W. Boorman as Headmaster of Aldenham School, Mr A. W. Dyer takes over The Grange. The Captain of School is S. Camburn and S. D. Jones is Captain of Rugby Football. The OKS weekend will be September 28 to 29 and there will be a half-term exeat from November 1 to November 4. There will be an Advent Carol Service in the quire of the cathedral at 8.30 pm on December 1 and there will be school concerts on December 7 and 8. Term ends on December 13.

Latest appointments

Mr William Simpson, general secretary of the foundry section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, to be chairman of the Health and Safety Commission.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N. J. L. Chance and Miss A. H. G. Rice

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. L. and Lady Ava Chance, of Lower Moor Farm, Charlton, Malmesbury, and Anne, only daughter of Major J. E. V. Rice and the late Mrs Minou Rice, of Exhurst Manor, Staplehurst, Kent.

Mr A. N. Argyle and Miss P. H. Sinclair

The engagement is announced between Andrew Nicholas, only son of the Rev D. C. and Mrs Argyle, of the Rectory, East Leach, near Cirencester, Gloucestershire, and Philippa Heather, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W. K. M. Sinclair, of the Mount of Glenluffin, Rockcliffe, Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Mr R. W. Bowyer and Miss R. A. Bradshaw

The engagement is announced between Richard William, son of the late Mr R. Bowyer and Mrs E. Bowyer, of Stourton Caundle, Dorset, and Rosemary Anne, daughter of Dr and Mrs R. P. Bradshaw, of Stoke D'Abernon, Surrey.

Mr R. M. R. Brewis and Miss V. A. Gerard

The engagement is announced between Ralph Michael Rodney, son of Mr and Mrs H. J. Brewis, Ardwell, near Stranraer, Wigtownshire, and Valerie Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. S. Gerard, Princes Park, Falkirk, Stirlingshire.

Mr T. S. Charrington and Miss E. A. F. Greaves

The engagement is announced between Timothy Somerset, younger son of the late Mr E. C. Charrington, of The Croft, Farringdon, Alton, Hampshire, and of Mrs E. C. Charrington, of Garden Cottage, Farringdon, Alton, Hampshire, and Elisabeth Anne Fiennes, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs J. L. Greaves, of The Manor House, Headbourne Worthy, Winchester.

Mr R. D. Drake and Miss W. M. Stirling

The engagement is announced between Robin David, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. B. Drake, of Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough, Kent, and Wendy Margaret, third daughter of Mr and Mrs J. D. P. Stirling, of Hill House Farm, Upper Weare, Axbridge, Somerset. The marriage will take place quietly in October.

Mr J. L. Ellison and Miss B. I. Murison

The engagement is announced between Jeffrey Lewis, younger son of Mr and Mrs L. Ellison, of Ketton, near Stamford, Lincolnshire, and Bronwen Isabel, only daughter of Dr and Mrs I. C. Murison, Bath, Somerset.

Lieutenant-Commander H. K. P. Michell, RN and Second Officer A. Webster, WRNS

The engagement is announced between Hugh, elder son of the late Lieutenant-Commander K. W. Michell, DSC, RN, and of Mrs Michell, Andrews Cottage, Aller, Somerset, and Anne, younger daughter of the late D. M. Webster and of Mrs Webster, 2A Charles Avenue, Arbroath, Angus.

Mr E. A. Tucker and Miss C. M. McN. Boyd

The engagement is announced between Tony, only son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Tucker, of Poole, Dorset, formerly of Malaya, and Corinne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A. D. McN. Boyd, of Alfold, Cranleigh, Surrey.

Mr W. A. N. Vare and Miss V. Lindsay

The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Mr W. N. Vare and the late Mrs E. D. Vare, of Eastbourne, Sussex, and Vanessa, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. N. Lindsay, of Brighton, Sussex.

The marriage arranged between Mr W. G. B. Hungerford and the Hon Mary Trefgarne will not take place.

Christening

The son of Mr and Mrs Hugh van Cutsem was christened Hugh Ralph at the Guards' Chapel on Tuesday, August 27, by Father Holman. The godparents are Comte Arthur Cornet de Ways Ruart, Mr Gerald Ward, the Marchioness of Hamilton (for whom Mrs Dalton Henderson stood proxy) and Mrs Ian Mackesson-Sandbach.

Archbishop expects to see Chilean leaders

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Ramsey, said yesterday that he expected to meet leaders of the Chilean junta when he visits South America later this month.

He told a press conference at Lambeth Palace: "When I meet a government which is known to be oppressive I always do draw attention to the distress that is caused by acts of injustice."

He said he supported the call by Chilean church leaders for an amnesty for political prisoners to and for trials to be reviewed by mark the anniversary of the coup civilian courts.

Dr Ramsey's visit, which will also take in Colombia, Argentina and Brazil, is his last overseas before retiring on November 15 and his first to the churches of Latin America.

It will last from September 16 until October 4

The Primate, who will be accompanied by Mrs Ramsey, leaves Heathrow on September 16 for Bogotá, via Miami. He flies to Santiago on September 20 and then to Viña del Mar, Buenos Aires, Porte Alegre, Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia. He will be back at Gatwick on October 5.



The Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs Ramsey describing, with the aid of a map, their South American itinerary, at Lambeth Palace yesterday.

Luncheon

HM Government

The Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon at Lancaster House in honour of the Federal State Secretary for Research and Technology of the Federal Republic of Germany. The other guests included:

The Federal German Ambassador, Sir Donald Maitland, Professor S. F. Edwards, Dr Donth, Mr H. G. R. Robinson, Mr C. L. Silver, Mr E. V. Marchant, Mr M. P. Lam, Mr R. A. Peddie, Mr C. Allday, Mr F. J. Dogsett, Mr T. Tuohy, Mr D. J. Lyons, Mr J. P. Jones, Mr E. C. Williams, Mr T. C. Hudson, and Mr J. Newington.

Dinner

HM Government

The Secretary of State for Defence was host last night at a dinner given by her Majesty's Government at Admiralty House in honour of the Minister of Defence, Federal Republic of Germany. Others present included:

The Federal German Ambassador, Dr Stützle, Colonel H. Baron von Frieson, Herr Freudenstein, Mr Roy Hattersley, MP, Sir Michael Cary, Air Chief Marshal Sir Neil Wheeler, Dr A. Bell, Mr Duly, MP, and Mr W. F. Mumford.

University news

Reading

Recent grants for research include: Science Research Council: £18,567 to the physics department, to study disorder by neutron scattering;

Tomato weighing 4lb at show

By Our Horticultural Correspondent

A tomato weighing 4lb 5oz is causing much comment at the Royal Horticultural Society's show at Westminster. It is in the group of vegetables contributed by members of the National Vegetable Society, and is of the American variety Delicious, and was grown by Mr C. Roberts, of Eastbourne, who last year grew what was claimed to be a record fruit, weighing 3lb 4oz.

People tend to write off unusually large vegetables as being of poor eating quality without even having tried them, but with this variety they are wrong; it is of excellent texture and flavour and, of course, large tomatoes are excellent for stuffing. In the same group, which contains excellent onions, sweetcorn and other vegetables, there is a well-fruited plant, only about 18 inches high, of the tomato Pixie, a variety acclaimed as eminently suitable for tubs or window boxes.

Dahlias provide most of the colour in the show and Aylett Nurseries were awarded a gold medal for an exhibit that groups the varieties in their colours, a technique now generally adopted by dahlia growers. In their exhibit they had the pink 'water lily variety' 'Gerrie Hoek', the yellow small cactus 'Klankstad Kerkrade' the pink 'Vicky Jackson', and 'Rothesay Reveller', crimson and white.

Roses, too, are well shown, with 'Stephen Langdon', crimson, and 'Tabler's Choice', red and gold, outstanding among the floribundas, and 'Grandpa Dickson', yellow, and 'Alexander', salmon, notable among the hybrid teas.

A group of hardy flowers includes the pale yellow *Achillea* 'Moonshine', *Anemone* 'Profusion', rich pink, *Scabiosa* 'Miss Willmott', white, and *Erigeron* 'Darkest of All', deep lilac.

In the middle of the hal lis a large gold medal group of named varieties of coleus, well grown and very colourful, from the Central Royal Parks.

There is also a group of choice heathers including fine plants of the golden forms of *Calluna vulgaris*, 'Wickwar Flame' and 'Golden Feather', and another group from the Heather Society.

The following plants received awards of merit:

Aralia salmosas, black berries, and *Liriodendron tulipifera aureomarginata*, with light and dark green variegated foliage; *Magnolia reserata*, as an ornamental foliage plant: all from Hillier & Son.

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Ayesha' pink, from the Director, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, from Wakehurst Place; Rose 'Southampton' amber, floribunda, and Rose 'Rob Roy', rich red floribunda, both from R. Harkness & Co.

There was a good entry in the heather competition, and the leading prizewinners were:

Erica vagans, one plant: The Wellcome Foundation, Beckenham, Variety *alba*: E. vagans, one vase: Major-General F. G. Turpin, West Clandon, variety 'Mrs D. F. Maxwell'. *Calluna vulgaris*, one plant, single-flowered, coloured variety: The Wellcome Foundation, variety 'Joy Vanstone'. *C vulgaris*, single, coloured variety, one vase: The Wellcome Foundation, variety 'Alportii'. *C vulgaris*, a double coloured variety, one plant: The Wellcome Foundation, variety 'J. H. Hamilton'. *C vulgaris*, a double coloured variety, one vase, Mrs E. Godbolt, Crowborough, variety 'County Wicklow'. *C vulgaris*, Mrs E. Godbolt, variety 'Hammondii'. *C vulgaris*, white, one vase: D. McClintock, variety 'Kirby White'. *Erica cinerea*, one vase: Major-General F. G. Turpin variety *purpurascens*. *Daboecia*, one vase any species or variety: Lady Reese and the National Trust, variety *D cantabrica alba*. Any heather not specified, one plant: The Wellcome Foundation, variety 'Erica tetralix alba mollis'. Any heather, one vase, B. G. London, Norwich, variety 'E watsonii'. H. Maxwell. One vase of a heather grown for foliage: Mrs E. Godbolt, variety 'Golden Feather'.

The Saintpaulia and Houseplant Society staged a small show, and the leading prizewinners were:

Three saintpaulias: Mrs W. N. Dunk, Croydon. Six saintpaulias: Mrs B. Nurenburg, London. Group of saintpaulias: Mrs Dunk. Ornamental arrangement: Mrs J. R. Cohen, Buckhurst Hill, who also won several prizes in the single plant classes. Arrangement of house plants: Miss N. Tanburn, London. Three cacti or other succulents: Mrs Echlin, Ickenham.

Sandhurst entries

The Ministry of Defence announces that the following will enter the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst today:

S. I. Andrews, Welbeck C; D. K. L. Anderson, Coleraine Ac Inst; S. C. Anstey, Allhallows S; T. G. Atkins, Shrewsbury S; T. P. Bagge, Eton C; K. V. Bailey, BFBS Hongkong; W. G. Baker, Eton C; A. E. Ball, Welbeck C; K. M. Barker, Knaresborough Ctd Sec S; A. Bartle, Heckmondwike GS; N. S. Bedford, Chislehurst & Sidcup GS; G. D. Bell, Welbeck C; P. R. Berendt, Bishop's Stortford C; J. Berry, A. J. Blease and A. S. Booth, Welbeck C; C. S. Booth, Wellington C; S. R. Bourne, The King's S, Grantham; R. A. Boyle, Stamford C; Yoc Inst, Niagara Falls; R. B. Bradford, Eton C.

C. R. Bradley, Coventry C of E; C. Braun, Salesian C, Battersea; S. D. R. Brierley, Charterhouse S; D. M. Broadfoot, Merchiston Castle S; H. G. Buckmaster, Ampleforth S; J. R. Brown, Portora R S; M. A. Bullough, Harrow S; W. F. Burdett, Liverpool Inst; N. A. Burton, Pocklington S; T. J. Cade, Cheltenham C; I. Cairns, Sutton Manor HS; D. R. Campbell, Seaford C; Perth; I. S. Campbell, Seaford Ac; R. J. Carrow, Abbeyland S; I. S. J. Cassidy, Weston-super-Mare GS; P. B. Chambers, Loughborough GS; I. L. Chorley, Scarborough HS; R. C. D. Clark, of St Mark & St John, Plymouth; S. J. Clarkson, Batley GS; S. J. Colling, Welbeck C.

N. P. Cooke, Cranbrook S; J. Cooper, Berwick GS; J. M. Cooper, Elizabeth C, Guernsey; N. J. Corbin, Farnborough GS; J. D. Tucker, Bradfield C; S. M. G. Croft, Durham S; P. T. Cross, John Lyon S; R. W. Cummins, Welbeck C; R. W. J. Davis, King's C, Taunton; B. R. Deane, Wellington C; R. W. Dempster, Welbeck C; M. D. C. Devlin, Royal S, Dungannon; P. G. Dinwiddie, C Watson's C; S. J. Duff, Trinity S; M. A. Dumford, Bp Wordsworth GS; L. R. Edwards, Kingston GS; P. A. W. Edwards, Erith S; D. M. Edwards-Heathcote, Stowe S; M. R. M. Elliot, Marlborough C; A. M. Ellis, Hurstpierpoint C; G. R. Ellis, Welbeck C; A. G. Evans, Clarks C, Clifton; M. G. Evans, Cheadle Moseley CS; R. J. Eve, A. Whitgift S; D. S. Ewing, Lanark GS; N. H. W. Fenn, The Leys S; B. M. Fitzgerald, Stow Hill SMS, Newport; J. L. Fletcher, Welbeck C; C. Flood, Wglon, C, Switzerland; A. R. Foank, St Chad's C; V. C. M. Frazer, Duke of York's S; M. C. Frostick, Welbeck C; J. G. RMS; P. L. Gascoigne, Minehead Upper Blease and A. S. Booth, Welbeck C; C. S. Booth, Wellington C; S. R. Bourne, The King's S, Grantham; R. A. Boyle, Stamford C; Yoc Inst, Niagara Falls; R. B. Bradford, Eton C.

C. R. Bradley, Coventry C of E; C. Braun, Salesian C, Battersea; S. D. R. Brierley, Charterhouse S; D. M. Broadfoot, Merchiston Castle S; H. G. Buckmaster, Ampleforth S; J. R. Brown, Portora R S; M. A. Bullough, Harrow S; W. F. Burdett, Liverpool Inst; N. A. Burton, Pocklington S; T. J. Cade, Cheltenham C; I. Cairns, Sutton Manor HS; D. R. Campbell, Seaford C; Perth; I. S. Campbell, Seaford Ac; R. J. Carrow, Abbeyland S; I. S. J. Cassidy, Weston-super-Mare GS; P. B. Chambers, Loughborough GS; I. L. Chorley, Scarborough HS; R. C. D. Clark, of St Mark & St John, Plymouth; S. J. Clarkson, Batley GS; S. J. Colling, Welbeck C.

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K. G. Legge, Rannock S; J. J. Little, Glasgow S; T. K. V. Lloyd, Canford S; S. A. M. Lloyd, Hardye's S; W. E. Loudon, Uddington GS; T. N. Lowes, Harrow S; I. R. Macdonald, Welbeck C; J. F. MacDonald, Malleybury and J. J. C. C; R. A. MacKenzie, Tyne C; J. H. MacMariane, Napier C of Sc and Tech; A. S. M. MacKenzie, Hendon C of Tech; R. A. McFarland, Campbell C; J. R. Marsell, St George's C; F. Medcalf, Grenville C; R. A. M. S. Melvin, Welbeck C; A. G. B. Mercer, Magille C of F; J. Mercer, King's C, Chester; R. D. J. Miller, Tonbridge S; A. J. Miller-Bakewell, Eton C; J. F. M. Morgan, Westminster Tech; D. R. Morman, Bedford Mod S; M. R. Nelson, Dean Close S; I. R. Neathercoat, Elgion C, Switzerland; C. J. W. Nelson, St Thomas Aquinas S, Leeds; R. H. Newcombe, Marlborough C; P. R. Newton, Tonbridge S; C. Hants; A. A. Nicholson, Taunton S; C. F. Nisbet, Hemel Hempstead S; T. E. Nixon, Stamford Rd Sec Mod S, Kettering; D. J. Norton, Dean Close S; C. Weybridge; L. A. Ogden, St Joseph's C, Ipswich; L. A. Oliver, Blundell's S; C. G. Owen, St Peter's C of Ed; R. E. Owen, Denbigh HS; J. Palmer, Welbeck C; R. J. Pettinger, Hymers C; C. L. Pierce, Blyth CS; P. D. Rees, William Penn S; M. R. Reeve, K George V S.

D. R. Richards, Atlantic C; S. C. Richards, Gordon's C, Aberdeen; A. P. R. Roberts, Welbeck C; M. G. Roberts, Eastbourne C; T. M. Roberts-Holmes, Dulwich C; C. E. Robinson, Harrow S; J. M. Rochelle, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne HS; P. de W. Rosskilly, Ardingly C; P. D. Routh, Reading Blue Coat S; R. M. Rusby, Lancing C; T. Scarlett, Welbeck C; S. A. Scott, Fettes C; C. Singer, Rydal S; P. A. Sishton, Welbeck C; J. Skillman, Tiffin S; C. P. W. Sargeant, Malvern C; C. R. Smethurst, Welbeck C; M. Smith, Belgate GS; P. E. Smith, Gillingham GS; R. L. Southgate, Q Elizabeth's GS.

R. J. Steed, King's C, Taunton; C. Stevens, Welbeck C; A. J. Sturdy, Bournemouth S; P. R. Tandy, Milton Abbey S; J. R. Tate, St Lawrence C, Ramsgate; A. S. Tempier, Buxton C; C. A. Tandy, Thomas Rydal S; A. R. Thompson, Welbeck C; P. W. K. Tolfree, Bryanston S; M. J. Tudor and S. N. Turner, Welbeck C; M. N. Upton, Westminster City S; C. E. Usborne, Malvern C; C. A. Ussher, Wellington C; M. A. Vernon, G. Watson's S, Edinburgh; P. F. R. Vivian-Neal, Milton Abbey S.

P. G. Walker, Wellington C; A. J. Ward and K. M. P. Ward, Welbeck C; P. Warwick, Rowlands CSS; N. C. J. Watson, Marlborough C; J. N. E. Watson, Wyggeston S; R. D. Wells, Bethany S; K. R. D. West, Malvern C; A. Whitaker, Hampton GS; M. Wilde, St Kevin's S, Leeds; P. F. Whittington, Oratory S; J. P. Wilkinson, Xaverian C; P. Williamson, Abingdon S; M. C. Winerley, Trinity C; P. D. Woods, Welbeck C; D. V. Wright, Princethorpe C.

£500 Premium bond winners

£500 winners in the September draw are:—

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1 AL 721379	1 EZ 007091	6 KZ 035670
1 AW 108497	5 EB 683028	6 LS 224601
1 AW 145473	5 EF 397355	6 PZ 817250
2 AB 906517	5 EF 986264	1 LF 621064
2 AK 003805	5 EK 307896	1 LS 974556
2 AL 846471	5 EP 449903	1 LK 798196
3 AK 986435	5 EP 826941	1 LL 843118
3 AL 039481	1 FZ 241991	3 LN 157965
4 AP 596367	2 FR 635726	3 LP 509571
4 AK 639436	2 FB 895871	3 LR 940985
4 AT 649977	3 FF 869354	6 LB 219026
4 AW 436062	3 FN 798193	5 LB 349147
4 AW 506568	3 FK 985801	6 LS 345355
5 AP 435719	4 FK 576869	6 LW 765567
5 AS 280935	4 FL 557712	6 LT 604677
5 AW 074650	4 FP 814548	6 LW 765567
RB 582159	4 FZ 639040	7 LB 309608
BP 005785	5 FK 345180	7 LS 702491
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Greek rebel losses

From Our Special Correspondent

Konitsa (Epirus), Sept 2.—The Greek General Staff has announced that as a result of the recent successful operations in the Vitsi, Grammos, and Beles mountains, it was estimated that the Communist armed forces at present on Greek soil numbered not more than 5,000. Before these operations began they were about 17,000 strong, of whom 7,000 were in the Vitsi and 5,000 in the Grammos mountains. Nearly 2,000 were killed or captured in the Vitsi mountains, and the casualties already reported in the Grammos mountains are approaching that figure.

Approximately 8,000 rebels, including wounded, are believed by the Greek authorities to have escaped into Albania after their defeats in the Vitsi and Grammos mountains. The Yugoslav authorities admit that another 1,000 escaped into their territor

Carmen's Company

Mr Charles W. Lloyd has been elected Master of the Carmen's Company for 1974-75. Mr M. William Harris, Senior Warden, and Sir John Cohen, Junior Warden. They will take office on October 24.

OBITUARY

PROFESSOR BONAMY DOBRÉE

English Literature at Leeds

Professor Bonamy Dobrée, who was Professor of English Literature at the University of Leeds from 1936 to 1955, died yesterday at his home in Blackheath at the age of 83.

Dobrée, who was born in 1891, declared himself a Channel Islander, and was rather proud that both his Bonamy and Dobrée ancestors, bankers, were mentioned by Thackeray. After Haileybury and the RMA, Woolwich, he was commissioned in the RFA in 1910, but resigned in 1913. He rejoined in 1914, and served in France and the Middle East. In 1920 he took advantage of ex-service concessions in going to Cambridge, graduating in 1921. In 1925 he was appointed lecturer in London, and in the following year Professor of English in the Egyptian University, Cairo, where he remained till 1929. In 1936 he was appointed Professor of English Literature in the University of Leeds, resigning in 1955. During the Second World War he served with the rank of lieutenant-colonel in the ABCA organization. He delivered the Clark lectures at Cambridge in 1953, and was an honorary Doctor of the University of Dijon. After retiring from Leeds he edited the *Writers and their Work* series of pamphlets for the British Council and the National Book League, and lectured as Professor of Literature at Gresham College. He was the Lord Northcliffe Memorial Lecturer in 1963. He married in 1913 Valentine (who died this year), the

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Pressure mounts for gas price rise after £41m loss by corporation

By Peter Hill

Pressure on the Government to allow it to lift domestic tariffs as soon as possible is being maintained by the British Gas Corporation, which yesterday announced a loss of £41.5m. It attributed much of the blame on price restraint policies of successive governments.

Sir Arthur Hetherington, the corporation's chairman, said: "We do not know whether we shall be able to get an increase. We have no arrangement with the Government.

"I can only say that, under the allowable costs formula of the prices code, if we were to go for an increase now it would be in the region of 10 per cent. I have to say that it is inevitable that the longer we have to wait for an increase the larger it will have to be."

Increases averaging 20 per cent were implemented at the beginning of this month, affecting small industrial and commercial customers. These will produce an additional £33m in revenue for the corporation. Domestic tariffs, however, have been pegged at the request of Mr Eric Varley, Secretary of State for Energy.

Defending the efficiency of the corporation, Sir Arthur said that even with these increases the organization faced an even larger deficit in the current year.

"The gas industry is efficient, and the only reason we have not been able to make a profit is because of an exceptional degree of price restraint imposed upon us by successive governments."

He stressed that the industrial increases would have been fixed at exactly the same levels if the organization had been free to raise domestic tariffs at the same time. It was quite untrue that domestic customers were being protected at the expense of industrial and commercial users.

Since 1967 the industry had been unable to obtain the price increases needed to meet the extra costs which, like other industries, the corporation had incurred as a result of the rapid pace of inflation. From the end of March this year, payment of threshold payments alone would cost the corporation an additional £15m.

Increases which the corporation had obtained in the past had been too small and had come too late to enable the industry to keep abreast of the situation. The increase of 7.56 per cent approved at the beginning of this year—the first for two years—could not prevent the £41m loss.

"Although the Government is making some compensation to the corporation, we believe that it would be very much better for British Gas, and for the country, if we were allowed normal commercial freedom to increase our prices to the level necessary for our profitable operation", he said.

"I realize the severe problems which any government faces in its fight against inflation, but I think it is right to emphasize the effect which counter-inflation policies are having on the gas industry."

But despite the constraints on prices the future outlook for the industry was "extremely encouraging". Next year, the corporation expected to be selling, on average, 4,000 million cubic feet of gas per day, in line with the target set in 1967.

Sales of gas had increased almost four-fold over the period, while the industry's work force had been reduced by nearly 17 per cent. The average price per therm had also been cut by 26 per cent compared with 1964, during a decade when the retail price index had increased by 71 per cent.

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Firms face further cash call after hammering

By Terry Eyland

A cautious return of investment confidence on the London stock market, already tested by the disclosure of substantial losses on foreign exchange at Lloyds Bank International, survived a fresh upset yesterday morning when it was announced that Tustain and L'Estrange, an eight partner stockbroking firm, had been "hammered" for inability to meet financial obligations.

The partners in Tustain were not available for comment. A spokesman for The Stock Exchange said that no estimate could yet be made of the size of the loss at the firm. But if seems likely that Stock Exchange members will now have to face the call for a further £100 for the Compensation Fund, of which they were warned in June. Members have already been "called" for £300 this year, following four previous collapses at Stock Exchange firms.

The insolvency of the firm was admitted by the partners to the Council on Monday afternoon. It is believed to have followed Tustain's inability to complete satisfactorily the quarterly financial statement which the Council recently started to require from member firms under tougher regulations.

An improvement in share prices was checked after yesterday's "hammering". But, since Tustain is a relatively small firm, and the market hopes that losses will be moderate, prices rallied.

The virtual confirmation of a further "call" for the Compensation Fund will upset some members who have been complaining in recent weeks. The Fund still has to face substantial payments in respect of the bankruptcies of Chapman & Rowe, and Mitton Butler Priest, which both collapsed earlier this year. No figure has yet been put on the loss at Chapman & Rowe, but losses at Mitton Butler have been estimated at £2m.

Any loss at Davey and Candy, which failed in May, is believed to be small, while the effective winding up of stock jobbers, Edgar Henriques, two months ago, involved no charge on the Fund since the failure of a jobber does not directly concern investors.

SE turnover: The continued contraction of business in both gilt-edged stocks and equities lowered Stock Exchange turnover to £3,776m in August, the lowest monthly figure for 11 months. Equity trading (£778m) was the lowest since February, 1971, while fixed interest turnover (£2,997m) recorded the lowest monthly total this year.

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Germany's proposed bank law amendments will further restrict the granting of licences

By Ian Morison

The West German Government, which was bitterly attacked for its handling of the collapse of I. D. Herstatt, yesterday announced far-reaching proposals to strengthen the German banking system and prevent further failures.

Fifteen major amendments to German banking law are to be sought by the Finance Ministry. The measures would restrict the availability of banking licences, extend the investigatory powers of the Federal Supervisory Office and relate the maximum size of individual loans more closely to a bank's capital.

Means to increase the protection enjoyed by depositors are also being considered and the ministry intends to set up a study group to examine the power that banks wield in the German economy.

The German moves are bound to intensify pressure for a closer control of banking activities in other countries—not least in Britain, where the Bank of England is at present seeking far greater information about the assets and liabilities of all banks under its jurisdiction.

If the Finance Ministry's proposals become law—which could be by the end of this month—banking licences will no longer be granted to small private banks. To qualify for a licence a bank will need to have two "reliable" chief executives and the licence may be withdrawn if it makes losses equivalent to half its capital.

For the first time, the supervisory office will be entitled to carry out spot checks on a bank, whether or not it has specific grounds for suspicion. The responsibilities of a bank's auditors will be increased; full details of non-banking activities will need to be published; and results will have to be presented within three months of the year-end.

The proposed controls on the size of individual loans are particularly strict. The maximum size of a n individual loan will be halved to 50 per cent of the bank's capital; the five largest loans together may not exceed twice that capital; and a bank's total "large credits"—those which individually represent at least 15 per cent of its capital—may no collectively exceed six times its capital.

Bank guarantees will be taken into account and the borrowings of a company and its subsidiaries will be aggregated when calculating credit volumes. Banks will be required to publish details of its "large credits" and to investigate the financial position of its customers more closely both before and after the granting of a loan.

On withdrawing a bank's licence, the supervisory office would be empowered to appoint a publicly-owned bank as liquidator. It would be entitled to inject liquidity into necessary to protect creditors. The maximum size of individual depots which would enjoy protection would be very much greater than at present.

Deposit system ended: Germany is to lift the remaining 20 per cent cash deposit requirement on corporate borrowing abroad.

Lloyds inquiry: As accountants Price Waterhouse continued their examination into the affairs of Lloyds Bank International's Lugan obranch, it was suggested yesterday that the Swiss banking authorities would bring forward their proposals to control the permitted volume of uncovered foreign exchange transactions—a move which the German authorities have already made.

Austrian bank fails: Allgemeine Wirtschaftsbank, which for two years acted as the IOS deposit bank in Austria, failed yesterday. A small bank, with a balance sheet total of under £30m, it has applied for a six months payments moratorium. A Government commissioner has been appointed to assess its obligations. Foreign exchange losses do not seem to have been incurred and small depositors should enjoy complete protection.

BRS forced to buy its trucks abroad

By Clifford Webb

British Road Services, the biggest road haulier in the country, is being forced to buy foreign trucks because British manufacturers are unable to meet demand.

The state-owned group recently embarked on a £40m reequipment programme with the intention of buying British wherever possible.

Mr Kenneth Cook, managing director of BRS Midlands, said yesterday: "We have a fleet of over 1,100 vehicles which until last May was 100 per cent British. Since then we have been forced to buy foreign. Today 25 per cent of our fleet is foreign and the proportion is increasing.

"We are being quoted delivery dates eight to 11 months ahead by British manufacturers and we just cannot afford to wait that long. Swedish-made Volvos and Scanias are now in such demand here that their delivery dates have lengthened from two or three months to five or six months."

He said the result was that BRS was now evaluating some of the newer arrivals, such as Mercedes Benz and Fiat. They cost up to £2,000 a truck more than their British equivalent but the situation was becoming so desperate the company had no alternative but to buy them.

Another factor which was influencing the move towards imported trucks was their greater appeal to drivers, who were themselves in short supply and had ro be catered for.

"Since we have been operating imported trucks our drivers have shown a marked preference for their greater comfort and lack of fatigue-producing vibration", Mr Cook said.

Although new commercial vehicle registrations have fallen by 25 per cent in the last seven months truck manufacturers admit that this is more a reflection of their inability to supply than a serious drop in demand.

Last night they blamed the aftermath of the three-day week and a severe shortage of components—particularly diesel engine castings, pistons and piston rings—for the shortfall.

British Leyland and the Cheshire-based independent manufacturer, ERF are the major British suppliers of trucks above 28 tons but Vauxhall will join them shortly with a new range of super heavies to be known as the Bedford TM.

Ford is also known to have a similar range to be called the H Series but although these will be sold in Britain they will be manufactured in Amsterdam.

$162m rise in August reserves indicates inflow of Arab money

By Melvyn Westlake

Britain's official reserves showed their first increase for four months during August. According to figures released by the Treasury yesterday there was a rise of $162m in the nation's holdings of gold, foreign currencies and special drawing rights.

The reserves now stand at $6,842m — the highest level since May, and only a little below the peak level of last February (Converted at the ruling exchange rate at the end of last month, the August rise is equivalent to £70m, and The reserves are equivalent to £2,953m).

The figures continue to suggest that a healthy volume of Arab oil revenues is flowing into London, helping to offset the huge drain on the reserves that would otherwise occur as a result of the huge monthly trade deficit.

Some $125m of last month's rise in reserves was attributable to accruals of foreign currency borrowing by the British public sector, which has been encouraged by the Government to boost the inflow of foreign money raising overseas loans.

In addition, to these public sector loans, a large proportion of the sterling payments received by Middle East oil producers are clearly still being held in London in spite of Britain's deteriorating overseas trade position.

If these inflows were not occurring, the $800m a month trade deficit would eliminate the official reserves in just over eight months. In fact, the reserves are now as high as last winter when the world oil price was quadrupled.

It would appear that neither the $2,500m borrowed by the Government from the Eurodollar market earlier this year, and the $1,200m loan recently negotiated with Iran, have yet been drawn.

Much of the oil revenues currently flowing into London are believed to have found their way into the Government bond market.

UK RESERVES

The following are the figures for the United Kingdom's official reserves at the end of the month issued by the Treasury yesterday.

End of	$m	£m	Change in month $m
1971	6,582	2,526*	
1972	5,648	2,404	
1973			
Aug	6,516	2,650	−112
Sept	6,382	2,644	−134
Oct	6,761	2,772	+379
Nov	6,646	2,836	−115
Dec	6,476	2,787	−170
1974			
Jan	6,178	2,708	−298
Feb	5,966	2,588	−212
March	6,444	2,691	+478
April	6,956	2,869	+512
May	6,920	2,888	−36
June	6,711	2,806	−209
July	6,680	2,799	−31
Aug	6,842	2,953	+162

*Sterling figures from 1971 to May 1972 valued at the Smithsonian parity rate of $2.60571, and from June, 1972, at the closing market rate on the last day of the period. Gold and SDRs valued at their dollar par at the time.

Forecast of 20pc drop in sugar crop

By Hugh Clayton

A cut of about 20 per cent in British sugar output this year was forecast yesterday by the British Sugar Corporation. After sampling the crop it said home production this year was likely to be between 730,000 and 780,000 tons, compared with 948,000 last year.

The forecast came as Mrs Sally Oppenheim, Conservative MP for Gloucester, said she had reported two Government Ministers to the Ombudsman for being "silent and motionless" about sugar. They are Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture and Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.

"They have caused distress and inconvenience and have apparently no contingency plans whatever", Mrs Oppenheim said. "All they appear to have done is close their eyes and hope the problem would go away."

The corporation said its estimate was based on tests over three weeks. It expected a crop of between 5.75m and 6m tons, compared with 7.3m tons last year.

It said the average root weight from samples taken so far was lower than last year, but about the same as in 1972.

Yesterday's forecast, regarded as the most reliable in the industry, is more pessimistic than some recent estimates which referred to a possible yield only 10 per cent below last year.

The three dangers to democracy

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been given, according to the paper, to arguments put forward recently in articles in *The Times* that "free collective bargaining, full employment and a usable currency are not in the long-run mutually compatible" and that "a liberal democracy is unlikely to be able to abandon any one of the three".

Mr Brittan rejects the conventional "incomes policy" soluiton because of the lack of any basic agreement to settle relativities voluntarily. "For, it is clear to any particular union leader that most of the gains from price stability and fuller employment spill over to members of other unions and the general public, while the costs . . . are highly concentrated among his own members."

These pressures confront democracy with three immediate dangers. Tight enforcement of laws may be entrusted to "a repressive force" lest society tear itself apart. Law-making may be entrusted "to some authority outside the *public arena*". And the rulers might then be tempted "to strike at disorder at its source . . . and to prevent the dispersion of and clash of opinion". Freedom as well as democracy are thus in jeopardy.

Mr Brittan rejects the concept of "social justice" as a solvent of democracy's divisive tensions, arguing that it is a mirage meaning quite different things to different men. It is in the realm of attitudes, he says, that a solvent must be sought.

"If contemporary egalitarianism were to lose its hold over the intelligentsia", with their excessive emphasis on interpersonal and intergroup comparisons to the exclusion of real progress in the absolutes of life, then democracy "could yet be saved".

RETAIL SALES AND HP

The following are the seasonally adjusted figures for the volume of retail sales and the value of new instalment credit released by the Department of Industry.

	Sales by volume 1971=100	New credit extended £m
1972	105.8	2,497
1972 Q1	102.1	575
Q2	104.6	612
Q3	107.2	640
Q4	109.5	670
1973	110.7	2,873
1973 Q1	111.8	789
Q2	108.0	668
Q3	110.5	721
Q4	112.3	715
1974 Q1	110.1	581
January	109.5	196
February	110.3	186
March	110.4	192
April	107.9	201
May	105.4	206
June	108.1	205
July	109.5	218

Retail sales boost continues

By Peter Jay
Economics Editor

Retail sales recovered more of the ground they had lost in April and May, according to the final figures for July published by the Department of Industry yesterday, confirming the earlier provisional estimate.

Payments under threshold agreements and new pensions probably helped, but over the past four months, sales have been running as much as 2¾ per cent below their level in the first quarter of the year and 4.1 per cent below their peak level during the last quarter of last year.

This picture is confirmed by the latest figures of hire purchase and other instalment credit extended in July.

The monthly total of new credit extended by finance houses and retailers continued its steady monthly recovery since February. But it is still running almost 10 per cent below its level in the second half of last year.

Markets ignore Lloyds loss

Trading on the international currency markets appeared to be largely unaffected yesterday by the £33m foreign exchange losses announced by Lloyds Bank on Monday.

Trading in both the spot and forward currency markets was described as "moderate", and similar to recent sessions. Dealing has already become more cautious following the collapse of the West German bank, I. D. Herstatt in June.

After that incident the level of currency trading fell sharply, leaving little room for any further contraction.

Because of the size of Lloyds Bank, little concern was being expressed in foreign financial capitals about its ability to absorb the losses without much difficulty.

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Freight rates change

The East African conference lines and the United Kingdom-Sudan conference lines yesterday announced that the East African trades negative currency adjustment factor will be 4.37 per cent, instead of 1.2 per cent and the surcharge for Britain-Sudan will be reduced to 4.90 per cent from 7.73 per cent from September 10.

CES and Sears fail to agree in merger talks

By Our Financial Staff

Combined English Stores disclosed yesterday that it has been having merger talks with Sears Holdings but that these have failed. This news, which brought the group's stock market value down by £2.6m, was followed by an announcement that CES is to close Gamages store for at least three years.

CES stressed yesterday in a statement that it was financially strong and had sound underlying assets and was confident it could maintain and improve its trading position. However, the group's shares fell 15p to 34p by the close of dealings last night.

Gamages, which is using temporary premises in Oxford Street pending redevelopment of its original Holborn site, will cease trading on January 25 when the lease expires and will not reopen before 1978.

Mr Murray Gordon, chairman of CES, said the shutdown was due to delays caused by the refusal of planning permission for redevelopment of the Holborn site.

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Algerian gas contract

An international consortium yesterday signed a 3,400m Algerian dinars (about £340m) contract with Algeria's state-run company Sonatrach to build a liquefied natural gas factory at Arzew, western Algeria.

Italy denies snags to loan from Germany

Milan, Sept 3.—There were reports today that West Germany attached a condition to its $2,00m (about £833m) loan to Italy, asking that German goods be exempted from the present Italian import restrictions.

Officials in the office of Signor Mariano Rumor, the Prime Minister, declined to comment on the reports. Signor Gianmatteo Matteotti, the Foreign Trade Minister, said he knew nothing about it.

"I did not participate in the loan talks and I have not met Rumor or the Treasury Minister recently", he said. "Therefore I cannot say anything." He was quoted as saying this in an interview with the Milan newspaper *Il Gironale*.

He hinted, however, that he would disapprove this kind of string to the loan. Referring to restrictions imposing an interest-free deposit of 50 per cent of the imports value, Signor Matteotti said: "If the list of items for which the deposit is mandatory should be revised, I would like this to be done on our own without any external imposition."

Italy buys 10 per cent of West Germany's total exports.

Signor Matteotti said the deposits with the Bank of Italy under the import restrictions totalled 921,600m lire (about £614) between May 22 and August 31.

He said the government would soon reexamine the list of items subject to the import restrictions. Many food products were already exempted in July. The requests for exemption made by Italian industries were quite numerous.

"We have to make our reckoning well and pick the right choice", Signor Matteotti said: "Some consumer items have been burdened with an increase of the value-added tax last month and the combination with the import deposit may be excessive." He sounded pessimistic about the prospect for increased exports for Italy.—AP-Dow Jones.

Cheaper TWA fares

Trans World Airlines said yesterday it will offer low advance-purchase excursion return fares between the United States and Europe starting on November 1. The fares, which are subject to government approval will provide discounts of up to 46 per cent.

Export surplus

Exports of pharmaceuticals in the first six months of this year amounted to £137.66m—an increase of 28 per cent on the first half of 1973. Over the same period the surplus of exports over imports increased from £77.07m to £92.79m.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 84.54 −0.56
FT index: 215.2 −1.7

Rises

Blyvoors	10p to 940p	Helical Bar	2p to 29p
Bracken Mines	10p to 260p	Lloyds Bk	8p to 135p
Broken Hill	10p to 460p	Mono Contrs	2p to 32p
Centreway Secs	2p to 22p	Nat W'minster	6p to 148p
Clough, A.	15p to 125p	Orion	5p to 85p
Eagle Star	5p to 61p	Rand Mine Prop	5p to 330p
Greaves Org	1p to 17p	UC Invest	5p to 335p

Falls

BK of Scot	13p to 150p	Lindop Hldgs	4p to 4p
British Land	3p to 18¼p	Royal	9p to 178p
Brit Sugar	5p to 220p	Spencer, T. & E.	9p to 100p
Comb Eng Strs	15p to 34p	Thorn Elec "A"	5p to 43p
Herbert, A.	1p to 9p	UK & O'seas	3p to 35p
Inchcape	10p to 225p	Vavasseur	1p to 8p
Land Secs	4¼p to 129p	Wardle, B.	1p to 11¼p

Equities steadied from early falls. Gilt-edged securities were less confident.

Sterling eased 10 points to $2.3105. The "effective devaluation" rate was 18.1 per cent.

Gold lost $1.25 at $157.75.

SDR-$.: The latest quotation available was 1.18298 SDR-£ was 0.511957.

Commodities: The London daily sugar price rose £10 to a record £360, while futures had gains ranging to £20.50. Cocoa soared by up to £33, but coffee lost between £11 and £16. Copper was at its lowest level for 19 months. Silver fell sharply. Reuters index was 4.9 down at 1,256.3.

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.615	1.565
Austria Sch	44.75	42.75
Belgium Fr	94.75	92.00
Canada $	2.33	2.28
Denmark Kr	14.60	14.20
Finland Mkk	9.00	8.75
France Fr	11.35	11.05
Germany DM	6.30	6.10
Greece Dr	81.00	74.50
Hongkong $	12.00	11.65
Italy Lr	1605.00	1555.00
Japan Yn	725.00	700.00
Netherlands Gld	6.40	6.20
Norway Kr	13.10	12.75
Portugal Esc	71.00	65.50
S Africa Rd	1.99	1.91
Spain Pes	135.00	130.00
Sweden Kr	10.60	10.30
Switzerland Fr	7.15	6.90
US $	2.35	2.30
Yugoslavia Dnr	37.00	35.00

Rates for bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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Demand growing for financial position of Court Line shipping to be clarified

By Maurice Corina
Industrial Editor

Officials of the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers' Association are demanding an end to the uncertainty over the heavily mortgaged ships—some the subject of sale contracts—involved in the collapse of Court Line.

In particular, protests have been lodged with the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board over the almost farcical refusal to give the 46,769-ton oil tanker Halcyon Skies a port berth.

Yesterday the captain Mr Morgan Jones appealed to the Prime Minister to intervene to get the ship into port and sort out the tangle.

Rough weather prevented the oil tanker from coming into the Mersey to take on fresh water and provisions. With her crew of 29 she rode out the weather at anchorage at the Mersey Bar.

The tanker was still awaiting guarantees that would allow her to come into berth at the tank cleaning section of the Tranmere oil terminal.

So far, a dock company spokesman said these guarantees had not been met and until they were the ship would not berth at the terminal.

An emergency meeting of the harbour authorities was yesterday discussing whether to accept the ship pending clarification of who will pay any port dues.

It is believed that the Official Receiver's office has reinsured the vessel pending the expected arrest by the Admiralty Marshal.

Meanwhile, the officers and crew of the Halcyon Cove, which has been arrested on Tyneside, were being signed off, with some dissatisfaction over the payment of wages by a mixture of cash and cheques.

Halcyon Skies, built three years ago, is due to be delivered this month to a new owner, Schiffscommerz Volkseigner Aussenhandelsbetrieb der VVB Schiffbau, of East Germany. The sale contract is dated June 4 at a price roughly equal to the mortgages which Court Line secured on her value—more than £6m.

City merchant bankers Wm Brandts Sons & Co have a first mortgage secured against the ship of just over £2m while a second mortgage secures a further £4.1m to the Bankers Trust International, one of Court Line's major creditors.

The position is further complicated because Burngreen Securities, a subsidiary of Court Shipbuilders (the subject of nationalization negotiations), lent its parent company £5.8m, the money being a sum it owed to Bankers Trust and secured against the now blockaded ship.



RECORD TURNOVER DESPITE UNSETTLED TRADING CONDITIONS

The following are extracts from the circulated statement of the Chairman and Managing Director, Mr. W. E. Wrighton:

- The record turnover of £7,006,000 does more than merely reflect the inflationary conditions during the year and is in the main the result of our enlarged productive capacity and intensive marketing methods.
- The unsettled general economic conditions and the Counter Inflation Regulations have had their effect on production and profitability and pre-tax profit is slightly lower.
- 40,000 sq. ft. of additional productive and storage space was added on our available freehold land at the Broxbourne factory and we have plans for further expansion there.
- We believe that substantial business could be done on the Continent of Europe and during 1973 WRIGHTON INTERNATIONAL FURNITURE S.A.R.L. was formed.
- Sales figures for the first three months of the current year are holding their own and with our increased capacity, first class service and delivery, we shall be ready to take full advantage of the flow of orders which we believe must come eventually.

GROUP FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Year ended 31st March	1974	1973
Turnover	£7,006,957	£5,684,562
Profit before Taxation	705,419	731,629
Ordinary Dividend*	44,320	44,100
Profits retained	259,544	407,829
Issued Share Capital and Reserves	1,326,432	1,666,888
Earnings per Share	7·61p	10·04p

*After deduction of Advance Corporation Tax.

Copies of the Accounts are available from The Secretary. F. Wrighton & Sons (Associated Companies) Limited, Billet Road, Walthamstow, London, E17 5DW.

GM chief seeks delay in safety regulations

From Our United States Economics Correspondent
Washington, Sept 3

Mr Richard Gerstenberg, chairman of General Motors Corp. has called on the United States government for a three-year moratorium on new regulations governing car safety and emission control equipment and for "an immediate joint government-industry review of the cost-benefit relationship of equipment already on our cars with an eye to which of it can be removed".

In a statement on the introduction of 1975 models, the GM chief claimed that government-mandated equipment had added about $270 (£117) to the cost of every United States produced car in the last four years. He claimed that much of the mandated equipment was quite unnecessary.

At a press conference today he suggested the company could cut 1975 model prices immediately by $40, for example, if requirements were dropped on automatic ignition interlock systems.

Mr Gerstenberg said that his company is proposing that the government immediately attack inflation "by eliminating requirements for unpopular, unproductive and unneeded equipment on future automobiles".

He expected United States car sales to improve gradually in the next year as the economy slowly returned to better health. Sales this year were likely to total 9.5 million units and the figure would probably rise to 10 million units for all of 1975, with an annual rate of 10.5 million being seen in sales in the closing months of 1975.

On investments, he said that his company's capital spending was likely to total $1,400m this year, after $1,100m last year. The 1975 level might be slightly *higher than the current year.*

Swan Hunter's head urges collaboration

By Ronald Kershaw

Sir John Hunter, chairman of the Swan Hunter group, said yesterday that nationalization of the shipbuilding and ship repairing industries would contribute nothing to the solution of any problems either of the industries may have neither would it help in improving their efficiency nor promote the well-being of those they employed.

He also thought it time the companies' views were placed on record, stressing they were "divorced from any reasons of political doctrine".

Speaking after the launch of a new refrigerated cargo vessel, Sir John called for "genuine consultation and collaboration by government with employers and trade unions in the industries on the best means of promoting our common objectives".

Sir John said the Shipbuilders and Repairers National Association would shortly be submitting an outline of an alternative to nationalization based on close partnership between industry and government. He said: "I believe such an arrangement would enable all sides to work together and produce results while avoiding the damage that would inevitably ensue from the imposition of nationalization for which they are totally unsuited

He said that over the past six or seven years the group had successfully expanded and rationalized activities in the shipbuilding and ship repairing field on the lines recommended in the Geddes report.

Motor companies propose third round of price rises this year

By Clifford Webb

Another round of car price increases is on the way—the third this year. All the chief British motor companies are understood *to have notified the Price Commission of their intention to* raise prices by between 7 and 10 per cent.

Unless the commission objects —and this is thought unlikely— it will mean a total increase over nine months of around 26 per cent.

The new prices are expected to come into operation at the end of the month—only three months after the last increases. As the previous rises were at the end of March, it sems clear that the motor industry is sticking firmly to the minimum statutory period of three months between increases.

It had been suggested in some industry circles that the approach of the London Motor Show next month and the launching of new and updated models would enable companies to cover price increases without resorting to a formal approach to the commission. Its approval is not normally withheld for ntw car prices or improved specifications if they are kept within criteria established by practice.

None of the manufacturers was prepared to comment last night on price applications because they have an unofficial understanding with the commission to this effect.

Reliable industry sources said manufacturers' costs had risen only moderately in June and July; but any hopes of restricting price increases to model changes had ben dashed by a very sharp cost inflation during August and a similar projection for September.

A surprise development last night could lead to an early end to the 11-day strike at British Leyland's Washwood Heath transmissions plant. Shop stewards sent urgent messages to the 2,000 men on strike, calling them to a mass meeting at 10 am today. The men were not expected to meet again until tomorow.

British Leyland has insisted that it will not negotiate until the strikers return to work, but shop stewards revealed last night that unofficial talks have taken place with the management during the past few days. It is believed that the company have indicated they are prepared to improve on their original offer of £4 a week.

The strike has so far cost British Leyland some 14,000 cars worth an estimated £18m at retail prices.

Chrysler have moved swiftly to resume production after the ending of the three weeks' old strike at its Coventry plastics factory. About 5,500 of the 9,500 men laid off at Ryton, near Coventry, and Linwood, Renfrewshire, have been recalled for work today. This will enable car production to be resumed

Catamaran blacking: Dockers' leaders at Hull have decided not to operate the Bacat—barge-aboard-catamaran—services to the port.

Mr Brian Barker, docks officer of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said the decision—by the Hull docks district committee last night—was now seen as official union policy so far as Hull docks were concerned.

Garage bills increase premiums

More insurance companies have raised their motor insurance premium rates because of the rising cost of garage repairs and court awards.

Sun Alliance and London Insurance raised rates an average 5 per cent from September 1 for new business and from October 1 existing policyholders will be asked for a similar increase.

The increases apply to all policyholders including those on Motor Plan. The company has about 330,000 motorists on its books.

A spokesman for Bradford and Pennine Insurance, which insures about 250,000 motorists, said his company is raising rates an average 12 per cent for new and existing business from November 1.

Increases would be from 5 per cent in rural areas to 20 per cent in inner London. Commercial vehicle rates were unchanged.

Phoenix Assurance announced yesterday it raised rates an average 15 per cent from September and October and several other companies are expected to announce increases by the end of the year.

New Zealand tightens credit curbs

Wellington, Sept 3.—Tighter hire purchase terms for cars, light trucks and motor cycles were announced by the New Zealand government.

Deposits on new cars and light trucks have been raised from 50 per cent to 60 per cent of the purchase price, and the period for payment has been cut from two years to a year, Mr Warren Freer, the Trade and Industry Minister said.

Deposits on secondhand cars and light trucks have been raised from 50 to 60 per cent and the period for payment cut from two years to 18 months.

Hire purchase deposits on new motor cycles have been raised from 33⅓ per cent to 60 per cent and the credit period cut from two years to 18 months.

Mr Freer said the changes aimed to help damp down the high level of consumer demand that continued to strain both the balance of payments and the domestic economy.

Hire purchase figures for cars down 25pc

By Edward Townsend

Motor vehicle hire purchase contracts taken out last month totalled 113,159, a drop of almost a quarter compared with August, last year, according to Hire Purchase Information.

The severity of the fall-off in consumer spending on vehicles was masked by the usual August buying spree on new cars and motor cycles by motorists anxious to take advantage of the new vehicle registration letter.

Hire purchase on new cars in August rose by 50 per cent on the July figure of 16,658 contracts to 25,034. However, this was still almost 47 per cent below the number of contracts signed in August last year, indicating the continued slump in car sales.

Used car hire purchase contracts in August rose only slightly on the July figure to 65,640, but held up better than new car contracts compared with August, 1973, when 76,697 second-hand cars were bought on credit terms.

Contracts on new motor cycles and scooters in August were 13 per cent up on July at 4,047 and less than 200 below last August's figure, while new commercial vehicle contracts fell by 31 per cent over August, last year, to total 4,455.

Abu Dhabi wins 60pc stake from Western oil groups

Abu Dhabi, Sept 3.—This Gulf emirate today signed an accord with western oil companies giving it a 60 per cent controlling share of the Abu Dhabi Petroleum Company.

The agreement, similar to those between other large producers in the Gulf and foreign oil firms, pushed the government participation from 25 to 60 per cent, and was reached after tough bargaining.

Previously British Petroleum, Royal Dutch Shell and Compagnie Française des Pétroles each had shares of almost 18 per cent and the American companies, Mobil and Exxon, each held stakes of almost 9 per cent.

Abu Dhabi will pay the company $40m (almost £17m) as compensation

Mr Mana Oteibah, Finance and Oil Minister, who hailed today's accord as an outstanding achievement, said that negotiations were expected soon on a similar agreement with Abu Dhabi Marine Areas, the second large company here.

The accord, backdated to January, provides that a portion of the emirate's crude will be sold to the company at $11.9 a barrel.

The company will pay the Government $500m for Abu Dhabi crude effective from January 1 and that the company will buy 300,000 barrels a day of the emirate's share.

OPEC seeks to cut output but maintain prices

Vienna, Sept 3.—Advisers to the world's larger oil-exporting nations ended six days of talks today and agreed to recommend their governments to cut back crude oil production to maintain the high price of oil.

The advisers, who met to draft proposals for a meeting of the ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) on September 12, agreed to recommend that crude oil prices remain frozen at $11.63 a barrel until the end of the year.

Japanese banks asked to raise interest rates

Tokyo, Sept 3.—Finance minister Masyoshi Ohira said today in a debate in the Diet that the government soon will urge commercial banks to raise interest rates on deposits in an attempt to protect depositors from inflation.

Rumours of an increase in interest rates on bank deposits have been circulating since last month, but this was the first official reference to the increases.

Press reports said the ministry plans to raise the rates by 0.5 per cent for certain deposits and more for others.

Profit rise forecast: Yamaichi Research Institute of Securities of Economics Inc has forecast a 13.9 per cent gain in net profit for big Japanese concerns listed on the first section of the Tokyo stock exchange and an 18.4 per cent gain in operating profit for the six months ending March 31, 1975. Both increases would be over the preceding half. It estimated that sales would rise by 10.4 per cent.

Meanwhile, Wako Securities Company forecast major firms, net profits for the March quarter would gain 12.1 per cent and that operating profits would rise 11 per cent on sales—an increase of 11.3 per cent AP-Dow Jones.

Nato talk on conservation of energy for industry

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Sept 3

Meetings aimed at cooperation in conserving industrial energy are planned between British and American officials in London this week. Later, American officials will meet officials from European countries.

The meetings are taking place in the framework of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's committee on challenges of modern society. The basic aims are to collate all available data and technical know-how on energy conservation in industry.

These efforts dovetail to a large extent with new plans by the American government to bring about international agreements on energy conservation. Top American Treasury officials believe that it is vital that oil consuming countries make much greater efforts to conserve.

Such efforts are seen as essential if plans for dealing with an emergency, such as an embargo on supplies by Middle East producers, are to work.

The basis for these proposed Nato meetings is a draft memorandum drawn up by the committee on challenges of modern society in conjunction with the American federal energy administration.

This document outlines the sort of information that all participating countries should produce to form an international data base for industrial energy conservation.

The Nato group is now starting to collect material on the amount of energy used in various types of industries, methods of reducing consumption, technology developed to reduce consumption and trends in the development of technology; the sort of energy savings that can be produced at each stage of manufacture of a specific product.

So far the only comprehensive information obtained for this study is from the federal energy administration regarding conservation in the aluminium, cement, copper, glass container, paper, petroleum refining, petrochemical, rubber and steel industries.

The draft memorandum shows, for example, that on 1971 data electrical utilities accounted for 25 per cent of total American energy consumption, manufacturing industry for 29 per cent, transport for 25 per cent and the remainder by residential and commercial sectors.

Work that the United States administration has done recently has resulted in the development of some 180 ideas on industrial energy conservation. If many of these ideas are adopted by industry, the administration estimates that energy savings of the equivalent of 1,400,000 barrels of oil a day could be achieved.

Mr Jack Bennett, United States Treasury Under-Secretary for Monetary Affairs, said here the other day that far greater efforts, on an international basis, in conserving energy will be one of the most important steps to reduce the financial difficulties produced by the oil crisis.

Publishers upset by Mr Benn

Britain's publishers are complaining that Mr Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for Industry, has twice refused to meet them to discuss steep increases in overseas postal rates which they say threaten their exports.

They say new surface rates are making British books and journals uncompetitive with American publications.

Mr Julian Blackwell, of Blackwell's of Oxford, said: "Where our competitors have failed Mr Benn and his buck-passing bureaucrats may succeed. We can't get through to see him."

Book and periodical exports last year were worth £150 million.

Mr Michael Ballard, director of the Book Development Council, said they had been warned by the Post Office the increase would be higher than might be expected because of inflation.

Volkswagen board studies prospects for plant in US

Wolfsburg, Sept 3.—An announcement by the board of directors of Volkswagenwerke AG said it had discussed the possible establishment of a plant in the United States; but additional examinations were being made to go deeper into the question of profitability, in view of the large investment involved.

Volkswagen sources said the company was expected to reach a decision some time in November. They estimated that the investment necessary for an American plant could total $1,000m (about £416m).

The statement said that the focal point was also the development of the sales position in the most important car markets, which was still unclear.

This development, it was stated, was of great importance for the effective utilization of the company's existing capacity and, therefore, for the profitability of investments such as those being contemplated in the United States, as well as for the employment situation inside Volkswagen.—Reuter.

KLM plans cuts in costs

Amsterdam, Sept 3.—KLM Royal Dutch Airlines said today that it planned an austerity programme to cut costs following losses of 54m guilders (about £8.6m) and 48m guilders in 1973-74 and 1972-73 respectively.

The airline said it would discuss its proposals with the unions involved.

KLM made a loss of 32.8m guilders in the first quarter ended June 30 and earlier this year said it did not expect a return to profitable operations during 1974-75.—Reuter.

Danish trade deficit grows

Copenhagen, Sept 3.—Denmark had a foreign trade deficit of 1,205m crowns (about £85m) in July compared with deficits of 796m in June and 551m in July, 1973, according to preliminary bureau of statistics figures.

The deficit for the first seven months of 1974 reached 9,731m crowns against a deficit of 5,353m in the corresponding period a year ago.

July imports were 4,567m crowns and exports 3,362m.—Reuter.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Chartered surveyors' rules and protection of the public

From Mr J. W. A. Loney

Sir, In his letter published August 22, Mr John Talbot urges that "the time has now been reached when . . . such organizations as . . . estate agents . . . holding clients' or customers' money should be placed under similar licensing and monetary restrictions" as apply to solicitors.

The bye-laws of The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors contain a rule that every member shall keep in one or more bank accounts separate from his own, or his firm's bank account, any moneys held by or entrusted to him or his firm in any capacity other than that of beneficial owner. A member found to have contravened that rule would be subject to disciplinary action and would be liable to expulsion from the institution.

In addition, the institution, in conjunction with the Incorporated Society of Valuers and Auctioneers, administers an indemnity scheme to cover members of the public against *loss of deposits due to fraud* and dishonesty, paid in respect of property or land in the United Kingdom to an agent who is either a professionally qualified member of the RICS or ISVA or a principal of a firm one or more of whose principals is so professionally qualified.

Members of the public can thus be confident that, if they deal with a chartered surveyor, or a firm where one or more of the principals is a chartered surveyor, not only will their moneys be kept entirely separate from the firm's but they also have the protection afforded by the indemnity scheme.

J. W. A. LONEY,
Secretary for Professional Practice,
The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors,
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Parliament Square,
London, SW1.

'Buy first and look later' attitude of people when choosing clothes

From Mr M. K. Reid

Sir, Mr K. Dawson's letter, asking where are the British apparel manufacturers, displays an incredible degree of naivety. He says that on returning from a shopping expedition in Watford he and his wife "were staggered to discover" that the shirt, jeans, trousers and footwear which they had bought were all made overseas.

Are we to assume that Mr and Mrs Dawson actually bought eight items without once looking at the labels to see by whom and where these articles were made?

In view of this kind of *shopping attitude, I think it is* rather impertinent for Mr Dawson to ask "what our domestic manufacturers are up to, neglecting a large and easy home market".

If Mr Dawson is as concerned about our balance of payments as he professes, then the next time he or his wife go on another shopping expedition perhaps they would just glance at the labels and then decide whether they wish to buy British or foreign goods, and not wait until they get home to make the discovery.

Nearly 50 per cent of the shirts sold in Britain come from overseas and over the past year or so various reasons have been advanced as to how this has come about. Mr Dawson's revelation about his "buy first and look later" system of shopping provides a sad part of the answer.

Yours faithfully,
M. K. REID,
Director,
Clothing Manufacturers' Federation of Great Britain and The Shirt, Collar & Tie Manufacturers' Federation.
14/16 Cockspur Street,
London, SW1.

Original reasons for introduction of Purchase Tax

From Mr A. W. Taylor

Sir, Mr G. N. Porter takes your writer, Tim Congdon, to task "for falling into the trap of forgetfulness", but the lapse of memory is his.

The Purchase Tax was never a luxury tax. It was introduced in 1940 (not 1941), and the original schedule included such items as clothing and footwear (except for young children), furniture, bedding, pots and pans, and many other household essentials.

The first—and as it turned out final—draft of this schedule had to be prepared within 24 hours. No research was possible; all that could be done was to draw up a list of statutory definitions to include almost everything in the latest, pre-war, Army and Navy Stores catalogue.

No one was more surprised than the compilers when this list received final approval as it stood.

Yours faithfully,
A. W. TAYLOR,
72 Wattleton Road,
Beaconsfield, Bucks.

Small landowner

From Mr N. D. Thomas

Sir, On August 13 you reported that the Orkney Islands of Hoy and Flotta are to have mains electricity connected at a cost of £460 a consumer.

As the owner of a small 40-acre farm with three cottages in west Cornwall I have been quoted by the SWEB £4,824 for the farm connexion and £1,512 for each cottage, a total of £9,360 to bring the mains less than one mile overland.

Although on a main road the farm is isolated and, since the milking requirements will, shortly compel the farmer to have mains electricity connected, there is really no option but to pay.

What is the answer for the small landowner in a case like this?

Yours faithfully,
N. D. THOMAS,
Killivose,
Greenroyd Avenue,
Halifax.

Why we do not need the Wankel at all

From Mr John Mortimer

Sir, After some challenging remarks from Captain Seager-Thomas (July 23) and Mr L. J. K. Setright (August 6) I am encouraged to have the moral support of Mr Markland (August 23). And I remain undeterred and faithful to my views.

However, I must congratulate Mr Setright on the eloquence of his writing. Unfortunately, or perhaps fortunately for him, he plays right into the hands of the money-minders and the salesmen who are seeking to foist the Wankel on to a motoring populace which neither wants nor needs it.

May I suggest to those who have risen so valiantly to defend the Wankel that they have *missed the point?* In their eagerness to defend they have failed to produce valid reasons for the Wankel's continued development.

I suggest we do not need the Wankel at all. Firms launching a new engine of novel design must be sure the engine offers tangible benefits: frugality in its use of fuel and oil; cheap to make, run and maintain; have acceptable emission characteristics and be able to offer substantially improved performance. Today's Wankel, and even those in the research laboratories, do not offer that *prospective.*

Certainly, the General Motors' engines to which Mr Setright refers as having equal fuel economy to comparable piston engines are in effect prototypes operating under controlled conditions. They are not mass produced engines.

Mr Setright suggests too that it will not do for me to call the Wankel engine dirty. I can do no more than ask the reader to judge for himself:

	HC (Grams per mile)	CO	NOX
Untreated piston engine	11	80	4.0
Untreated Wankel engine	24	92	2.2
Wankel engine with reactor and air injection	1.8	23	2.2
Piston engine with special carburettor, ignition, control	1.55	17.8	5.0
As above with exhaust gas recirculation	1.55	13.7	1.1

May I suggest that simplicity is the hallmark of superb design. For this reason we should not, as Mr Setright suggests, be looking forward to even more complex versions of Wankel. We need more simple engine designs.

And Mr Setright is doing the Wankel an injustice when he claims it is as crude today as the piston engine was 60 years ago. The makers would not want the buying public to believe the Wankel was so crude. Rather the reverse.

As it is the Wankel is no child. The first patent was taken out in 1929, but the origins stretch back 200 years to James Watt and to the mid-nineteenth century to Beau de Rochas and Lenoir. And with such a fund of technologies *available today the digestion* period for new engines must be less than it was sixty or more years ago.

Finally, on the question of investment let us look at the following. I am sure that if the consensus of engineers in British Leyland had been able to provide convincing arguments why the Wankel is the engine of the future then the *company now would be developing* such an engine. It has not even taken out a licence.

Again, one can ask why great firms like Fiat and Renault have not taken out licences. Equally, why have Ford (it is wanting to sell its Wankel-making machine tools), Daimler-Benz and Rolls-Royce discarded it. These are hardly firms with short-term investment problems precluding them from adopting the Wankel.

I did notice incidentally that neither Captain Seager-Thomas nor Mr Setright drew attention to the many owners of Wankel-engined cars who have "enjoyed" two, three or even four changes of engine. Nor did they highlight the high premiums owners have to pay to buy a Wankel car—in the case of the Citroen Birotor it is no less than £750.

People seem to forget that while money is being poured down the drain to bring the Wankel up to the standard of the piston engine, the piston engine is itself a moving target as development is directed to improve it.

Yours faithfully,
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INTERIM STATEMENT

Imperial Metal Industries Ltd.

Interim Report for the Half Year to 30 June 1974

	1974 First six months £ million	1973 First six months £ million	1973 Year £ million
Sales to external customers	182.2	127.4	275.1
Profit before tax	11.0	10.8	23.5
Profit after tax	5.9	6.3	12.6
Profit after tax applicable to IMI	5.5	5.7	11.5

The above figures exclude profits on metal stocks and profits arising from the increase in value of the net assets of overseas subsidiaries and associates due to changes in exchange rates. There was a profit on metal stocks before tax of £0.8m in the first half of 1974 compared with a profit before tax of £2.7m in the first half of 1973, and £6.1m for the full year.

Despite the effects of the three day working week in the early part of the year, trading profit was higher than in the corresponding period of last year. This was, however, offset by an increase in interest payable primarily for financing copper stocks.

Taxation is based on a U.K. Corporation Tax rate of 52% (1973: 47.5%). The charge for the first half of 1974 has been reduced by a credit of £0.2m for Investment Grants, compared with £0.2m in the first half of 1973 and £0.4m in the full year.

Interim Dividend

The Directors have declared an interim dividend at the rate of 4.6% (compared with 4.25% for 1973) payable on 8 October 1974 to shareholders on the Register on 6 September 1974. Including advance Corporation Tax of £0.9m this will absorb £2.8m (1973: £2.5m), effectively providing for an increase of 12½% in the interim dividend.

"I look to the future with much optimism and I see exciting prospects for our company in the years to come"... *Chairman, Mr. Asil Nadir.*

- Profits beat prospectus forecast by 23%
- Number of branches increased from seven to twelve
- Three new branches to be opened this year
- Increasing demand from major stores and multiple chains
- Current turnover running at higher level

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Weak link in the chain of banking controls

An attitude of benign indifference with which the foreign exchange market treated Lloyds Bank's potential £33m losses yesterday was much in line with its response to the earlier misfortunes of such as Westdeutsche Landesbank and Union Bank of Switzerland. Unfortunate, but in contrast to the Herstatt collapse, no outside losses were incurred and nobody was prepared to grieve too deeply for the shareholders of Lloyds.

Such cavalier treatment of the issues does it less than justice. The similarities with WDL and UBS are clear enough, but there are also crucial distinctions. Until recently German and Swiss banks were operating in a climate in which foreign exchange speculation, if not actually encouraged, was freely permitted by central banks.

That was not the case with Lloyds. Banks operating in the United Kingdom are tightly limited by the Bank of England on the size of unmatched positions they can hold in sterling against other currencies (although there are no formal restrictions on non-sterling positions): Lloyds reckoned to be even more conservative, rarely running any unmatched positions at all.

That the losses could still happen, in defiance of all assumptions that no British bank could suffer on such a scale, poses the question of whether attempts by central banks at controlling foreign exchange dealings can hope to bring speculation to heel when individual dealers can so easily evade their own house rules.

Most banks believe they have adequate safeguards on the behaviour of their dealers, usually through some system involving confirmation of a deal to a third party. But the unnervingly repetitive feature of all the losses incurred so far is the success with which they were concealed until they had reached staggering proportions.

How remote most top bank management has remained from the complexities and hard realities of the dealing floor is apparent in the paucity of foreign exchange experts on bank main boards. Inevitably, many banks are now going to be asking whether their own safeguards are quite as comprehensive as they have thought hitherto.

Moreover, since it is so evidently difficult to rule out the possibility of occasional horror stories, one can expect to see the banks further reviewing the basis upon which they will deal with others. In Lloyds case, losses of £33m can be absorbed. In other cases, such losses could bring a bank to its knees.

Herstatt's failure has already prompted a thorough reassessment within the market and has shaken out many of the speculators. In the light of Lloyds' painful experience the atmosphere of mutual suspicion can hardly ease, and this process must surely have further still to go.



Sir Michael Clapham, chairman of Imperial Metal Industries: implications in the copper price.

Imperial Metal

Balancing factors

Performance by Imperial Metal Industries in the first six months has been mixed, but with the favourable factors, on balance, proving stronger. That trend is likely to continue in the current half and IMI should be able to look forward to an increase in the profits for the year from £23.5m to around the £25m mark.

The rise in copper price is largely responsible for the 43 per cent jump in sales to £182m. Stock profits, excluded from these figures, amounted to £800,000 (£2.7m) and IMI makes the point that while there are annual fluctuations in this account the overall profit trend has been up. With the metal price now coming down rapidly, financing costs should begin to reduce, albeit with a lag of around four to five months.

On the trading side, while sales to the building industry by volume reflected the sad state of affairs there, the drop was cushioned by a reduction in competitive imports. Pneumatic equipment sales were strong and so were those to the commercial vehicle manufacturers. Engineering held up although there are some signs of a weakening order book.

At 27½p, IMI shares are selling at around four times prospective earnings. A share to buy when economic conditions appear more promising.

Interim: 1974 (1973)
Capitalization £45m
Sales £182m (£127m)
Pre-tax profits £11.0m (£10.8m)
Dividend gross 1.71p (1.52p)

Stock Exchange

compensating the failures

Yesterday's collapse of another stockbroking firm, Tustain and L'Estrange, almost certainly means that the Stock Exchange will have to enact its threat earlier this year and call on the 4,600-strong membership for a further £100 each to top up the compensation fund. That prospect in turn has revived loose talk on the floor about the inequities of the compensation fund system, the argument being that everyone should not be asked to pay for the incompetence or bad luck of the few who go to the wall. This sort of comment may be partly explained by the fact that only recently have London members been asked to pay sums directly into the fund. While calls have been common practice in the provinces, the system in London, until stock exchange amalgamation, was to maintain the level of the fund by transfers from general funds. After payments so far this year of £300 per member, the fund, which ensures that no member of the public loses from a stockbroking failure, stands at around £2m, of which perhaps £1m is earmarked to meet claims arising from the collapse of firms earlier this year. Policy is to maintain the fund at around £1m at all times.

So far, then, no member of the investing public has been hurt by the extreme problems of The Stock Exchange. That is more than the travel and insurance industries can boast. If The Stock Exchange is to survive the present financial trauma in anything like its present form it will need as much support from investors as it can get—and in turn that means it needs the compensation fund. Those few members who talk of abandoning the fund would do well to remember this.

Ocean

Optimistic indicators

Shipping shares may be discounting a slowdown in the growth of world trade but freight volume and rate indications from Ocean Transport and Trading yesterday were just as optimistic as those from P & O recently. The question marks are for 1975 now and not for this year.

Ocean's trading profit is 83 per cent better at £9.82m reflecting the continuing buoyancy in the general cargo trades. Volume rather than rates (which are conference fixed) is the vital factor here and so far there is no indication of any weakening trend. Ocean's figures benefit from the 15 per cent increase in Europe-West Africa rates brought in last year and an increase is being sought for the Far East freight conference.

Conference rate business makes up the great bulk of Ocean's total and the nominally more volatile bulk cargo trade only around 25 per cent. Moreover two of the three big tankers, Titus and Tantalus are on long term charters taken near the top of the market. Only Troilus is hardly washing its face in the spot market. Of the five bulk carriers, the three in the Atlantic Bulkers consortium are on a good semi charter too, though the two in Scan Scot are perhaps not so well placed.

Another major element in Ocean's improvement is the 89 per cent rise in associate profits to £7.9m, the bulk of that coming from the 49 per cent interest in Overseas Containers.

Here containerization of the Far East trade has brought obvious benefits and vindicates Ocean's decision to sell its small vessels and concentrate on this trade via OCL. The interest charge is up from £2.97m to £5.5m but is probably peaking out now that the major ship investment is under way. At 77½p Ocean is probably on a prospective p/e ratio of around 4½ (and yielding 12 per cent) but even fully taxed the P & O ratio is probably a half point lower and there is the attraction of the Anglo-Nordic stake there.

Interim: 1974 (1973)
Capitalization £67.8m
Sales £135.9m (£89.8m)
Pre-tax profits £14.35m (£8.41m)
Dividend gross 4.43p (3.94p)

Blackwood Hodge

Overseas strength shows

In profit terms, Blackwood Hodge ranks high on the list of defensive stocks thanks to its substantial overseas content. Of £70m of sales in the first six months, an increase of 31 per cent, the United Kingdom was responsible for only 19 per cent and only 27 per cent of the £6.14m trading profits. The rise of £820,000 in interest charges was attributable chiefly to higher rates rather than borrowings.

But the real message is that the outstanding order book has jumped from £10m to £35m and the group is confident of delivering. Assuming the 49 per cent interim profit movement is maintained for the full year, the shares at 62p are selling at under 4 times fully diluted earnings with a prospective yield of 7½ per cent.

Interim: 1974 (1973)
Capitalization £12m
Sales £70.4m (£53.8m)
Pre-tax profits £3.81m (£2.56m)
Dividend gross 2.01p (1.74p)

Edward Townsend reviews the prospects for reclaiming a waste 'mountain'

Recycling glass: a not so simple task

Every year, at least 115,000 tonnes of glass bottles and jars that could be melted down and re-used are indiscriminately thrown away in Britain.

Each week, every housewife in the country throws an average of 2.7lb of glass into the dustbin.

Most of this "glass mountain" finds its way into council rubbish tips—a sad end for what is generally considered to be among the most attractive forms of packaging yet devised by man.

Last November, the industry's trade organization—the Glass Manufacturers' Federation—which represents 90 per cent of the country's glass container makers, published its "Green Book", the results of a detailed study into the recycling of glass which suggested a number of new ways to cut down the amount of discarded material.

Today, 10 months later, a few practical steps have been taken to implement those suggestions. The GMF, working in committees, is slowly grappling with its conservative members while the Government, even though it did take part two years ago in a joint working party with the industry and has recently appointed a Minister responsible for waste recycling, has not yet come to any firm conclusions.

The GMF is sponsoring research into the recycling problem at University College, Cardiff, and the St Helens School of Management Studies. The two simple facts that emerge from the feasibility studies are that, if the nation is intent on ending the great glass wastage, then the glass makers must have cheap and regular supplies of consistent quality glass and a national plan must be formulated to make sure they get it.



A sample of glass is taken for testing: the right "mix" is important.

And glass, says the GMF, cannot be considered in isolation. Collection of all types of waste on a country-wide scale is the only feasible and economic solution.

Admittedly, the re-use of glass is fraught with difficulties and any airing of the environmental debate going on in the industry should make it clear that recycling glass is not as easy as collecting old bottles and throwing them back into the furnace.

Crushed glass, or cullet, makes up about 20 per cent of the weight of glass containers and is essential in carefully controlled amounts to give the "mix" strength, lower the furnace temperature and even out the heat flow.

The minimum quantity of cullet needed is about 12 per cent, but up to 40 per cent has been tried by some European manufacturers. What is still not known in the industry is the maximum amount of cullet the glass recipe can stand.

Companies are wary of using large amounts of cullet bought from the country's few cullet merchants—because little may be known of its specification and they prefer to use their own domestic scrap.

Contamination of cullet from outside sources can be a grave problem. One aluminium bottle cap in the mix can form a slug of molten metal that can drill a hole in a multi-million-pound furnace.

The merchants' methods, says the GMF, "generally lack sophistication".

Now, in line with some of its own recommendations, the GMF is to start work next month on drawing up a national standard for cullet as well as the compilation by its newly-appointed environmental manager of a recycling director.

If a broadly-based specification could be agreed, the glass makers would in theory be overjoyed to accept vastly increased quantities of material from the merchants. Imposition of standards coupled with demands for consistent supplies should deter the back-street rag and bone men and encourage the establishment of more reputable businesses.

A new company in the cullet trade was set up recently in Stafford. It intends to specialize in collecting from commercial premises and hopes to achieve its target of supplying glass makers with 1,000 tonnes a week by the end of next year.

It has estimated, however, that up to £40,000 will have to be invested in crushing and cleaning machinery and transport costs will add further to the price.

The cost of cullet is a crucial factor in the consideration of recycling. Glass is made from very cheap raw materials—basically, sand, limestone and soda ash—which cost between £8 and £10 a tonne and are reckoned to be virtually inexhaustable.

Manufacturers are currently paying between £3.50 and £15 a tonne for cullet and in addition to demands for a general specification there is growing pressure for a minimum cullet price to be set.

Government action appears to be essential if the reclaiming of glass is to become a profitable operation on a big scale. Collection schemes by charities (Oxfam is considering the retrieval of waste material as a source of funds) are useful, but the glass makers' demands for huge amount of consistent quality cullet remain unsatisfied.

Earlier this year, Redfearn National Glass ran a two-month experiment in York with the local authority into the reclamation of disposable bottles which highlighted the cost of a local scheme specialising in the recovery of just one waste product.

Its weak point was its reliance on the willingness of housewives to sort their empty bottles and jars by colour, and to remove metal caps.

It therefore seems more and more unlikely that used bottles will ever be reclaimed separately. Their collection in bulk, in fact, could prove to be just a spin-off from a general waste recovery system designed initially to reclaim commodities like paper, aluminium and plastics, whose raw materials are more scarce and expensive and on which there are greater social pressures for re-use.

Locating the faults in the Gas Corporation loss

At the end of his first full year as chairman of the British Gas Corporation Sir Arthur Hetherington would have hoped to announce an improved profit for the organization which replaced the Gas Council.

Sadly this was not the case. Yesterday Sir Arthur had instead to address himself to the corporation's loss of £41.5m for the year ended March 31 this year. It was a loss nearly three and a half times greater than the only other loss recorded by the industry—£12.9m in 1967-68—in a decade.

But Sir Arthur had no doubt where the blame should lie: with successive governments. In his usual carefully measured tone he underlined the sense of disenchantment which pervades Gas Corporation headquarters in Bryanston Street as a result of price restraint policies.

He described the loss last year as "a most demoralizing burden" to have inflicted on an industry which had been so successful in the past in keeping its own house in order and at the same time carried out a revolutionary change in the supply and marketing of gas.

Increases in tariffs had too often been a case of too little too late for the gas industry, and what was particularly galling was the fact that if the corporation had been allowed to lift the average price per therm of gas in step with the movement of the retail price index (a threshold price increase) Sir Arthur would have been announcing a £100m profit.

Already half way through the current financial year the corporation is expecting a further heavy loss in which neither the recently introduced increase on industrial and commercial tariffs is unlikely to make much of a dent nor is the required increase in romestic tariffs which is being effectively blocked by Mr Eric Varley, the Energy Minister.

What is clear is that in the wake of the production cutbacks by the Arab oil producers and the quadrupling of oil prices, combined with the increases in coal prices—where a further rise on industrial rates is imminent—gas is highly price competitive in the energy market. Gas industry chiefs themselves would rather less euphemistically describe present prices as unrealistic.

In its extensive and expensively produced report (HMSO £1.50) the corporation explained that it had assumed that for planning purposes there would be a large increase in oil prices during the 1970s. The implications of the changed circumstances, with much more dramatic rises than expected, the corporation stated, would depend in part on the extent to which the organization would have freedom to shape its own pricing policy and restructure its tariffs in the light of costs and of market prices of competing fuels.

Factors which influenced last year's disastrous results were a 13 per cent increase in gas sales; an increase of 0.21p per therm in the overall cost of gas supplied and a reduction of 0.20p per therm in the average income from gas.

The corporation has spared no effort to itemize the effects of restraint on its pricing policies. After the Suez crisis in 1967 the organization sought increases arising from higher oil prices which were not granted until April the following year; in 1970 another rise was asked for to meet increased costs for labour and materials and this was delayed for a year; its application for a 5 per cent increase from September last year was disallowed although the Price Commission did give its blessing to a 7.56 per cent increase from the beginning of this year.

"The cumulative effects of these restraints up to March, 1974, has been to deny the corporation income totalling £110m. Even after allowing for compensation from the Government of £74.9m in the four years to the end of March, 1974, this still leaves a balance of some £35m lost to the industry when it was badly needed to strengthen its very low level of financial reserves at a time of continuing expansion, increasing demand for gas and high interest rates.

A by-product of the latest loss is the fact that the corporation has failed to meet the financial objectives set by the Government for the five years 1969-70 to 1973-74. Last year it managed a 5.4 per cent return on net assets, the lowest for the five-year period, producing an average of 6.5 per cent for the period compared with a target of 7 per cent.

But the corporation made the point that the target, which incorporates the interest element, had become inadequate for the industry's financial needs

It is worth noting that during the year the corporation raised £160m of medium-term loans to repay advances from the National Loans Fund and for new capital investment. Out of this, £120m was raised in the Eurodollar market at rates of interest significantly lower than those prevailing with the National Loans Fund Finance.

This is an asset which the corporation's financial planners will undoubtedly have emphasized to Ministers and Treasury officials.

Pertinent to the corporation's pricing strategy in the future is the price at which it has agreed to purchase gas from the Norwegian and British sectors of the Frigg field in the North Sea. Gas from the field is scheduled to start flowing into the United Kingdom in 1976 at a rate of 750 million cubic feet a day rising to 1,000 million in October that year.

Sir Arthur yesterday was unwilling to disclose details of the terms for this deal, or indeed the basis on which the corporation is negotiating with Shell/Esso for gas from the companies' Brent field.

Gas from Frigg will represent a large addition to the supply of gas, equivalent to 30 per cent of present reserves and therefore must be reflected in the corporation's calculations and submission's for further increases. This is particularly so since all the indications are that it has been obliged to pay a much higher price than in earlier deals involving offshore gas.

The corporation refuses, however, to discuss terms publicly. Sir Arthur said yesterday that he was confident in the ability of the corporation to plan for expansion during the next two decades and, in the corporation's own estimates, by the early 1980s natural gas could be supplying about 40 per cent of Britain's heating needs.

But the efficacy of the corporation's future strategy will be influenced by the attitude of the present and future governments. The corporation for its part firmly believes that it should be allowed the normal commercial freedom to increase prices to the level necessary for its profitable operation.

Peter Hill

Business Diary: Irony in the Kent saga

Shareholders in the instrument maker George Kent should be receiving another letter from their board today, one, we suspect, of many before the future of the company is finally resolved.

The present situation, of course, is that Kent, by all accounts in need of a lifeline, had announced a complicated deal with Brown Boveri, the Swiss electrical giant, the most important aspect of which was that BB would pump some £6m, into the beleaguered Kent. Everything may have been fine except for the fact that the Government, owners of around 24½ per cent of the Kent equity by virtue of the old Industrial Reorganisation Corporation's intervention in 1968, never appeared happy about a Swiss company controlling something as important as Kent.

In the event, those fears proved well-founded. Mr Benn did indeed move against the Kent/BB deal late last month, supporting a counter package for Kent from General Electric Company which significantly also has the backing of Kent's other big shareholder, Rank Organisation, with 18 per cent.

Kent, and its advisers of several months standing, merchant bankers Guinness Mahon, looking somewhat unhappy about the arrival of GEC, are now seeking further information and it remains to be seen which alternative the board will ultimately recommend.

Meanwhile, it is difficult not to notice the supreme irony of this affair, the fact that some of those who may well try to resist further state involvement in the affairs of Kent are those who actively encouraged intervention in the instrument making business back in 1968.

Such people are Charles Villiers, chief executive of Guinness Peat and chairman of its subsidiary Guinness Mahon, the man who fought so tenaciously when managing director of the IRC to get the IRC scheme for the merger of Kent and Cambridge Instrument through in preference to Rank's bid for Cambridge; and Michael Knight, a director and industrial expert at Guinness Mahon, who after the 1968 intervention went on to Kent's board as an IRC nominee and is now a deputy chairman of Kent.

They do indeed, through a twist of fate, appear to be on the opposite side of the interventionist fence this time, particularly if Kent's board decides to fight the GEC/Government/Rank proposal on behalf of everyone involved in Kent, including, of course, shareholders, the largest being the Government.

Up country

Sir Frank Figgures, the erstwhile Pay Board chairman who has been out of a job since July, brushed the garden soil off his hands to come into his Leicestershire home yesterday to talk about the future.

Somehow one cannot help feeling that the man who did so much, when director general of the National Economic Development Office, to bring together government, TUC and the Confederation of British Industry might well have a role to play when an autumn election has passed and a new government of whatever colour is looking round for men skilled in constructive conciliation.

Sir Frank chewed over the thought. He is probably one of our most outstanding combinations of Civil Service caution and independent thinking, and it seemed to be caution which dictated his oblique reply. "I'm so completely immersed here, you know, it's hard to find time to think of anything else."

Sir Frank and his wife took on the picturesque old cottage property at Uppingham three years ago and it has meant a lot of work getting it the way they like it. "I have enjoyed building walls", Sir Frank vouchsafed, although not quite with Churchillian conviction.

And political building? Sir Frank, now 64, said firmly: "I am finding it very agreeable at the moment not to have to worry."

But it was not for nothing that he once earned the remark, reputedly from a former Labour Minister after Sir Frank had dubbed a United Kingdom import surcharge as illegal, of "Too Frank and too honest."

Before going back into the garden, Sir Frank could not help adding: "I suppose you never know. I expect I'll be seeing you around." We'll see.

Psst, it's 017

Britain's first international bomb security conference yesterday passed off uneventfully. This must have come as a relief to the organizers, EPA International Security and Motorola Teleprograms, who had felt it necessary to take elaborate security precautions.

Measures taken included the issuing in advance to delegates of identification numbers which they had to quote before they could gain admission. For security reasons we cannot release the name of Business Diary's man at the seminar, although we can say that as the result of what may have been a minor typing error, he was given the identification number 017 rather than the number by which he is more widely known.

Having established their bona fides, delegates had to register a signature, and whenever they left, and subsequently returned to, the conference area, they had to sign again, and that signature was then compared with the original.

Their briefcases were meticulously searched, and they had to pass through a frame which would have indicated if they had any anti-tank or anti-ballistic missiles or other objectionable objects in their pockets.

The location of the seminar was kept a secret even from the delegates until the last possible moment, and this information remains classified, although we are able to tell our readers in confidence that it was in the Home Counties.

Some delegates seemed inclined to regard this degree of security as possibly excessive. The underlying argument in favour of these measures appears to have been that terrorist organizations might have felt it was unsporting to disseminate information which might reduce their capacity to create mayhem, and that they could have been tempted to make a preemptive strike. This did not happen.

Heart cry

The anguish of the estate agent, caught in the toils of a shattered property market, reached an apogee in the heart/cry last night from Richard L. Daniels, the founder partner of the West End agents of Richard Lionel and Partners.

For eight years Daniels has put out a well-regarded annual review of the state of the market in central London office premises in which they specialize. This year they began to go through the motions and were so despairing of the general situation they decided not to bother.

He said: "I felt that this year our report would have been superfluous as there can be no members of our profession and few of the public that have gone unaware of the catastrophe that has befallen the property market."

Daniels' darkened crystal ball throws up shadows of more property companies going down unless there is a revival of confidence

Are there no gleams of hope? "Well, the industrial market is not quite so badly affected as the office market. But things could get worse. At the moment all one can do is hope", Daniels said.

But anguish has not completely destroyed his faith. He looks forward to getting his review out again next year on the expectation that a rational discussion will then be possible. Let's drink to that.

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REPORTS

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 2.9675p per stock unit, which with the related tax credit is equivalent to 4.4292p (1973—3.9371p).

Subject to Inland Revenue clearance a scheme to permit stockholders to elect, in respect of any part of their holding, to receive the dividend in cash or shares will be put to an Extraordinary General Meeting in mid-December. This dividend will, for tax reasons, be payable on 6th January, 1975, to stockholders on the Register of Members on 11th November, 1974.

Group Profit and Loss Statement for the half year ended 30th June 1974

	Half year to 30th June 1974	Half year to 30th June 1973	Year to 31st Dec 1973
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Turnover	135,900	89,800	192,544
Trading Profit (Note 2)	9,820	5,350	12,435
Investment income and interest	1,930	1,530	3,886
Interest payable	(5,525)	(2,970)	(8,950)
Profit on disposal of ships, etc.	217	310	1,238
Share of profits less losses of associated companies	7,913	4,190	10,473
Group profit before taxation	14,355	8,410	19,082
Taxation (Note 3)	(7,100)	(4,150)	(9,412)
Minority interest in profits of subsidiaries	(392)	(20)	(50)
Group profit after taxation and minority interests but before exchange differences and extraordinary items	6,863	4,240	9,620
NOTES: 1. The results for the half year have not been audited.			
2. Trading profit is stated after charging depreciation of	7,070	5,930	12,720
3. Taxation			
United Kingdom taxation	2,100	1,750	3,571
Overseas taxation	900	500	1,027
	3,000	2,250	4,598
Taxation on share of profits of associated companies	4,100	1,900	4,814
	7,100	4,150	9,412

While exchange differences are not included in the figures it would appear that at present rates of exchange the amount will not be significant. Extraordinary items are not material at the half year and should show a modest surplus over the remainder of the year.

The first half year's result was in line with expectations. Our trading pattern remains generally buoyant and, subject to the exceptional uncertainties of even short-term prediction, the second half year's result should be similar to that of the first half year.

Ocean Transport & Trading Limited

FINANCIAL NEWS

Redland performance stays strong despite cutback in building

By Fred Wilson

The growth and success of Redland, one of Britain's leading construction materials companies, will be limited this year by prevailing circumstances Lord Beeching, the chairman, says, but his expectation is that group profits, which last year were returned at a record £24.3m, *will suffer a good deal* less than might be supposed.

Adverse factors currently affecting group performance are the sharp downturn in United Kingdom housebuilding, and the road programme, the cutback in new water and sewerage schemes and the low level of construction activity generally. Overseas also the group is suffering from cutbacks for in West Germany, an even sharper reduction is occurring in housebuilding and in Australia there are increasing signs of reduced buoyancy.

All divisions in the United Kingdom, apart from pipes, *have traded satisfactorily in the* first quarter of 1974 with total sales ahead of last year in spite of the energy crisis. Demand for roofing tiles is slightly above production capacity and all plants are likely to be fully occupied in 1974-75. He reports that demand for most types of the group's bricks is strong, but this is expected to fall away in the latter part of the year. Notwithstanding this demand the board have decided to suspend production at the Burlesdon works which has been the least profitable.

On capital expenditure Lord Beeching says the group has budgeted for just under £10m in the United Kingdom (£15.86m previously) this year which can be mainly financed internally. The group's original plans have been curbed and a number of projects deferred in the interests of caution.



Lord Beeching, chairman of Redland: Capital expenditure of £10m budgeted for this year.

Raybeck growth slows but profits climb to peak at nearly £3m

Following a good opening Raybeck, the clothing group, have turned in fresh records in profits and turnover, but the rate of expansion has slowed. For the year ended April 27 profits at the pretax level jumped by 21 per cent and ended just short of £3m at £2.98m, compared with £2.45m for 1972-73. The first half showed an increase of 24 per cent at £1.38m, but in the second leg, which usually shows the larger expansion, the growth rate was down to 19 per cent with profits at £1.6m compared with £1.3m. Turnover increased from £28.6m to £32.5m (the second half rise was from £15m to £17m). With a final payment of 2.33p the board are stepping up the total dividend from 3.28p to 3.42p.

They say they expect the record profits to continue and intend to increase dividend payments by the maximum possible in the current year.

A property valuation at October 31 last showed a surplus over net balance sheet values of £1.18m for the freehold properties and £5.7m for the leasehold properties. A further valuation of freehold properties at March 27 last revealed a surplus over book values of £1m which has been transferred to capital reserves.

The group has now a 7 per cent stake in Community Retailers, which owns 14 retail outlets in England and Wales selling men's, women's and children's clothing and household textiles. This will substantially increase the group's retail selling space and this current year should help boost turnover and profits to the expected fresh peak levels.

CES optimistic after slip in first half

Although sales of the Combined English Stores Group for the half year are up from £17.3m to £19.4m, taxable profits are down slightly from £1,006,000 to £1,002,000, although this includes £115,000, against £78,000 from the sale of leasehold premises. Net profits are down from £520,000 to £481,000 before extraordinary losses of £116,000—which include the £215,000 cost of the offer for David Greig—less the profit of £99,000 from the rationalization of the carpet and furniture divisions.

The interest on the proceeds of rationalization and a contribution from the new-look furniture division, are expected to make a big impact on the second-half profit. Another successful year is looked for.

Nurdin gathering pace after sparkling opening

All the evidence from the opening performance of cash-and carry wholesalers Nurdin & Peacock is that the group is riding inflation and showing an accelerated growth rate in the first six months. Even more cheerful is the news that since end-June sales have increased by at least 30 per cent on the same period.

With the now customary caveat on the general economic situation rendering a definite forecast out of place, it is noteworthy that the second leg always produces the lion's share of group profits. Last year, for the sixth year running, the group achieved record profits at £1.6m pre-tax.

For the six months to June 29 taxable earnings (up 33 per cent in the preceding full year) expanded 57 per cent to £628,000, on turnover 25 per cent higher at £43.2m (26 per cent in 1973). Earnings a share show a jump from 1.69p to 2.51p. The interim dividend is raised from 0.99p to 1.12p.

Just over three months ago, Mr J. Peacock, chairman, in his annual statement, reported a surge of 30 per cent in sales in the first four months, but he played this down on the grounds of being "exceptional" because of favourable factors, and that sales were then running some 20 per cent higher.

Average selling space was up 17½ per cent by end-1973, but there were no definite new branch openings planned.

Rosgill to put emphasis on Moneysave

Emphasis of Rosgill Holdings in the current year, in view of concern over general economic conditions and the direct impact on the retail group, will be on increasing the selling area of subsidiary Moneysave Ltd, the clothing and discount stores sector.

Mr J. L. Ingles, chairman, in *his annual review, reports buoy*ant conditions elsewhere in the home selling Pippa-Dee Parties, where sales in the Dee Minor division are running 100 per cent over the same period. In the present term Moneysave stores have been opened at three centres in the Potteries and Lancashire, while another opens at Burton-on-Trent this month. All these outlets should contribute to profits in the current year.

BASF earnings fillip came from non-European sector

German chemical giant BASF in a detailed explanation of its first-half results explains that the increase in sales came largely from domestic and European units, but that growth of earnings was greatest among the non-European members of the group.

In the opening half pre-tax profit of the group rose 36.8 per cent to DM736m (about £119m), while turnover gained 42.8 per cent to DM9,647m.

The favourable trends in sales and earnings continued in the second quarter, the company stated, with the profit pattern for the domestic companies as a whole remaining steady. Its first quarter upswing was interpreted as partly a reflection of the firm plastics market, though, on the other hand, a fairly sharp drop in margins showed the impact of petrochemical costs.

JOINT COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

WESTERN ULTRA DEEP LEVELS LIMITED

WESTERN DEEP LEVELS LIMITED

(Both of which are incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

PROPOSED NEW GOLD MINE

An announcement was published by Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited on 12th March, 1974 regarding the establishment of a new mine to the south and west of Western Deep Levels, which will be adjoined by the new Deelkraal mine. The mineral rights over the area are held by Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited, with Witwatersrand Deep Limited having a 22.5 per cent participation in the northern portion.

Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited have formed a company "Elandsrand Gold Mining Company Limited" to take cession of the proposed lease, when granted.

Agreement has been reached in principle between Western Deep Levels Limited and Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited whereby Western Deep Levels will cede approximately 515 hectares of the south-west portion of its lease area to Elandsrand in return for a participation in Elandsrand, as this is the most advantageous method of exploiting the area. It is the intention that Elandsrand will mine the Ventersdorp contact reef only, and Western Deep Levels will therefore retain the right to mine the Carbon Leader. A circular to members of Western Deep Levels will be despatched in due course giving full details of these arrangements.

An application for a mining lease has been submitted to The Mines Department. The interests of the parties in the proposed area will be in proportion to the surface area contributed by them and will entitle them to participation in the initial equity capital of the new company, at present calculated as follows:—

	Percentage participation
Western Ultra Deep Levels	70.9
Western Deep Levels	19.6
Witwatersrand Deep (through its participation in portion of Western Ultra Deep Levels' mineral rights)	9.5
	100.0

Consideration is being given to the financing of Elandsrand and an announcement will be made in due course. The intention of the directors of Western Deep Levels Limited and Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited is to pass the major portion of the subscription rights of those companies in the initial capital of Elandsrand through to their shareholders.

Planning of the new mine is advancing satisfactorily and preliminary site work has started. Shaft sinking is to commence in January 1976 and present indications are that the mine will come into production during 1981.

Johannesburg

3rd September 1974.

NEGRETTI & ZAMBRA

"Continued improvement despite exceptional circumstances"

J. E. Odle, O.B.E., *Chairman.*

	1974	1973	1972
	£000	£000	£000
Sales	4840	4757	4386
Pre Tax Profits	388	317	227
Net Tangible Assets	2652	2174	1880
Earnings per share	11.2p	11.1p	8.9p
Dividend per share	3.76p*	3.6p*	2.5p
Assets per share	118p	110p	103p

*Equivalent Gross amount

Major points in Chairman's Statement:

- 26% of profits earned overseas
- New factory opened in Norfolk
- Order Books increased by 60%
- Internal optimism qualified by external conditions

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Trident diversifies as TV returns shrink

With television advertising falling off nationally at a time when inflation is pushing the cost of programmes ever higher, the promotion of Trident Television to the position of second largest sales area in the country (thanks to the addition of the Belmont Transmitter) was timely. Mr James Hanson, the group's chairman, adds that in spite of the apparent gloom, the company has a clear plan for its future growth, and this is already being implemented, including TV rental and sales in Australia and investment in the leisure industry.

Meanwhile, taxable profits for the 10 months to March 31 show a fall from £3.61m to £3.06m, and earnings a share are down from 6.3p to 4.2p.

On current trading, Mr Hanson says that with less than a month to go it is apparent that profits for the current six months are not likely to exceed the £311,000 achieved for the four months to March 31. In short, television contracting will produce only a meagre return on capital employed.

Shareholders are to receive a second interim for the present 16-month period of 1.01p gross (against 0.91p).

J. & W. Henderson

Record interim pre-tax profits have been returned by J. & W. Henderson (Holdings) with a rise from £460,000 to £526,000. Margins of this building trades' merchant obviously have improved as turnover for the half is down from £10.96m to £10.73m.

Earnings a share come out at 9.5p, against 9.3p. On taxable profits of £252,000, against £248,000, the dividend is being increased from 3.37p to 3.81p.

Beattie downturn

Lower margins have pulled down the taxable profits of James Beattie, the Wolverhampton retail department stores group, in the first half to July 31. These have contracted from £522,000 to £491,000 although turnover in the period expanded from £5.7m to £6.8m.

The board say operating costs in excess of those originally budgeted have been absorbed so have the continuing development costs of the new stores at Sutton Coldfield and Northampton.

Sparkling results from Mono

With demand for Mono Containers' disposable cups and packaging containers still strong it is hardly surprising that half-time profits of the group to June 30 are higher—a sevenfold increase, in fact, on turnover 56 per cent up.

The pre-tax outturn expanded from £54,000 to £413,000, turnover from £2.17m to £3.38m, and the dividend is being lifted from 1.25p to 1.86p.

The chairman thinks that raw material supplies are returning to a "more normal pattern". He expects the rest of the year to show a similar trend although some slackening in demand may ensue from the general economic outlook.

Strong & Fisher acquisition

Northamptonshire based Strong & Fisher (Holdings) are to acquire James Roberts & Sons (Worcester), fellmongers and tanners.

The consideration will be in three parts. First, £110,000, 12½ per cent unsecured loan notes of Strong, repayment to take place over the five years 1976 to 1981 by annual instalments of £22,000. Second, *£35,000 cash, payable £20,000* on completion and £15,000 seven months after completion. Third, 100,000 ordinary shares (valued at £46,000 at yesterday's price of 46p each).

Strong are hide and skin merchants, fellmongers, tanners and dressers.

London Australian tax appeal fails

London Australian Investment Co has lost its tax appeal. Judgment has been given against the company in the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its appeal against the assessment of income tax on capital profits for the year 1967 to 1969 inclusive. No decision has yet been made regarding an appeal to the High Court.

The amount in dispute for the years covered by the appeal, and subsequent years, is some $A951,000, equivalent to 13c a £11.9m). This was struck after tax of $A14.12m against $A9.86m. The total dividend meanwhile is hoisted from 12 to 14c. At midway, profits rose 57 per cent and were expected to improve by the same percentage in the second-half.—Reuter.

Merrill Lynch in French venture

In a joint venture, Merrill Lynch Int and Lionel D. Edie Int have formed a portfolio-management company in France with Groupe Palue-Marmont of Paris.

It will be owned 55 per cent by GPM and 45 per cent by Merrill Lynch, and is expected to provide an international portfolio management service, mainly to French institutions.

Edie Int was formed in 1970 as a Merrill-Lynch Int offshoot —itself a subsidiary of the Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fever & Smith, Inc, broking and investment group in New York.

Elder Smith bound

Almost doubled profits are reported by Elder Smith Goldsbrough Mort in a message from Adelaide. Net profit bounded from SA9.4m to SA18.4m (about

W. W. Hall

In his annual report, Mr H. Hall, chairman of W. W. Hall, comments on the big increase in interest charges in the profit and loss account for the year to April 30. The position has now been improved and Hall's invoicing and dispatch of statement to customers is again running smoothly and will benefit overall cash flow in future. Hall are Berkshire-based distributors of heavy types of building materials.

EC Cases' bright start

On turnover up 25 per cent to £1.97m, the pre-tax profit of E. C. Cases for the first half of 1974 advanced 28 per cent to £262,000. Meanwhile, this Glamorgan-based maker of garden *sheds, fences, pallets and pack*ing cases reports that current sales compare favourably with the same period. Last year it turned in a record full-time £474,000.

The half-time payment is up from 0.75p to 0.82p.

LITTLE HAVEN FARMS

Farming should yield an improved profit during current year, Mr J. S. Llewellin, chairman, says in his annual statement.

VITA-TEX

Current year has started well with turnover and production higher. Forward orders are also good.

Cocoa price ranged raised

The 43-nation International Cocoa Council has approved an immediate 6.5 cents (United States currency) per lb increase in the price range fixed in the International Cocoa Agreement. This brings it to 29.5-38.5 cents, Mr U. Kwesi Hackman, the executive director of the International Cocoa Organization said.

But the increase has no relevance in the current market *situation with world cocoa* prices well over 70 cents per lb. The council's action, however, does provide producers theoretically with a higher level of price support should prices fall within its increased range. The council's resolution setting out the increase took note of assurances by the producers to take all necessary steps to expand production and increase supplies to the cocoa market where there are shortages, Mr Hackman said.

It was important, he added, for producers to give incentives to farmers to increase cocoa production. The producers were well aware that it was in the interest of all agreement members to end the present shortage.

Council sources told Reuters that a producer spokesman rejected a number of suggestions put forward by Mr Hackman and supported by the consumers, to raise output in exporting countries. The producer spokesman at the final session of the four-day council meeting in London rejected the idea of a seminar on agricultural methods and extension services, an assessment of producer efforts to improve output in the short and long term, and the examination of practical measures to ensure that importers and manufacturers are able to obtain cocoa supplies *in accordance with the provi*sions of the two-year-old agreement, the sources said.

The spokesman said the producers were willing to answer specific consumer queries on production policies but they were satisfied that their membership of the agreement alone was proof enough that they were prepared to comply with its provisions, they said.

The council estimated world cocoa demand in 1974-75 at 1,630,000 tonnes and allocated the following quotas to exporting countries (although those are inoperative in the current market situation): Ghana, 545,600; Nigeria, 289,100; Ivory Coast, 212,100; Brazil, 188,400; Cameroon, 118,300; and Togo, 26,500. The total is 1,380,000 *after deduction of 250,000* tonnes which are not subject to quota regulations.

The council elected the United Kingdom delegate, Mr Michael Madden, as chairman for 1974-75 and the Brazilian delegate, Senor Marcelo Rafaelli, as vice-chairman.

'Brazil in special coffee deals'

Brazilian Coffee Institute officials declined to comment on a press report in Rio de Janeiro that Brazil has decided to revert to a type of "special deals" with United States and European coffee buyers. The leading Rio daily *O Globo* said the deals would be the principal instrument in an aggressive sales policy. High Instituto Brasileiro do Café (IBC) functionaries would go to the United States and Europe this week with "*various alternatives*" to be presented to coffee buyers there but all guaranteeing stability of Brazilian prices vis-à-vis Africans and Central American "other milds" it said.

Other measures taken by Brazil this year to activate coffee exports had failed so the government was obliged to reconsider its suspension of the special deals practised from 1968 through 1973, it said. This decision was taken after the Brazilian *authorities became aware* that Colombia and other producer countries were openly practising this policy which had permitted them to ship substantial volumes during the first six months of this year, *O Globo* said.

Colombia had exported 1m bags more in the first half of this year than the same 1973 period. The same applied to Angola and other African producers, the newspaper reported.

There would be one important difference between the special deals now contemplated and those ruling 1968-73. This was that there would be no discrimination between importer firms. If an advantage is granted to any given United States importer in an IBC contract, *the entire* American market will have the chance to receive the same treatment, it said.

The special deals contemplated now would continue to be based on the competitive coffee in the particular market envisaged. If, for instance, the competitive coffee was "other milds" in a particular market, the special deals would be based on a price differential between Brazilians and "other robustas were threatening Brazil's position, robusta-Brazil price differentials would be the basis, *O Globo* said.

Discounts would continue to be given in the form of coffee itself, through the issue of "Avisos de garantia" entitling the buyer to additional free coffee.

The IBC was already making special deals with British soluble coffee importers. In the *terms of these, the IBC would* cover the difference between the old British import duties and the ones ruling after Britain's entry into the European Economic Community, it said.—Reuter.

Business appointments

Thos. W. Ward directors join more boards

Mr W. G. Palfreyman, a director of Thos. W. Ward, has joined the board of John Lee & Son (Grantham). Mr Barry Whitworth, also a director of Ward, joins the boards of E. H. Pickford, Deighton Motor and Skipper Group.

*Mr L. C. Brodie-Hall, has be*come a member of the boards of Gold Mines of Kalgoorlie (Aust) and Kalgoorlie Southern Gold Mines.

Mr D. A. L. Gear is joining the board of John Stephens of London.

Mr J. B. Womersley has been elected to the board of Burco Dean.

Mr J. E. A. Mocatta has been made a director of Luis Gordon Group.

Mr K. G. W. Bartell is to be regional general manager for France in International Westminster Bank, *part of National West*minster Bank's international division.

Mr J. S. H. Taylor has been made managing director of John Bright & Bros. Mr P. T. Waters joins the board. Mr A. W. Marcroft has resigned as managing director for health reasons, but remains as a non-executive director.

Mr Ronald Graham has become managing director of Millar & Lang. Mr Malcolm McIver has joined the board in place of Mr W. J. Duffy who has resigned owing to pressure of business commitments.

Mr J. W. Russell has been made production director of James Buchanan.

Mr Stuart Birt has joined the board of Brown Jenkinson.

Mr Donald Smith has been made financial director of A.E.W.

Mr W. David Lawrie has become a director of Nu-Way Heating Plants.

Issues & Loans

Water offers underwritten

Underwriting has been completed for two offers for sale by tender of £1.5m 10 per cent preference stock 1979 for the Eastbourne Waterworks Co and the East Anglian Water Co. Full particulars will be published on Friday.

Capital issues

The Bank of England's statistics of "new money" raised by capital issues on the United Kingdom market show that in August, securities to the value of £65.8m were issued—excluding *international* isues and securities of the government and nationalized industries.

Redemptions amounted to £30.5m leaving net issues at £35.3m.

Local authority bonds

The coupon on this week's batch of local authority yearling bonds is 13¼ per cent with an issue price of par. Issues have been made by: Barking, Basildon, Lambeth, Leeds, Havant, Newcastle upon Tyne, Ashfield, Luton, Orkney, Milton Keynes, Kirklees, Salford and Warrington.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

	Bid	Offer
$ STRAIGHTS		
Alcoa 8¼ 1988	79	81
American Motors 9 1989	84	86
Anglo-American 7¼ 1987	70	72
Ashland 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Australasia 8 1987	79	80
BOAC 7¼ 1987	64	66
Bluebell 7¼ 1987	70	72
Bristol 8½ 1979	85	87
Brit Steel Corp 8¾ 1989	80	82
Burlington 7¼ 1987	78	79
Cadbury 7¼ 1990	65¾	67¾
Carrier 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Colombia 8½ 1988	82	84
Cons Food 7½ 1991	78	79
Copenhagen Co Auth 7¼ 1987	78¼	80
Coventry 8½ 1981	86	88
Coventry 8½ 1980	85	87
Curacao Nikel 8¾ 1988	84¾	86¾
Cutler Hammer 8 1987	81¾	83¾
Dana 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Denmark Kingdom 7½ 1990	78	79
Denmark Mtge Bank 7¼ 1991	73¾	76¼
Dundee 9½ 1993	87¾	89¾
Escom 9¼ 1989	88	90
EIB 8½ 1988	83¾	85¾
Eurofima 8½ 1989	85¾	87¾
First Chicago 7 1980	86	87
First Pennsylvania 7¾ 1984	78	82
Fisons 8½ 1987	71¾	73¾
GATX 8½ 1987	80	82
General Cables 8½ 1987	75	77
Guardian Royal 8 1987	73	75
GHM 7¾ 1988	75¾	77¾
Hambros 7 1987	72	74
Hammerslg 8 1987	72	74
Hilton 7¾ 1987	54	56
ICI 7¾ 1992	70	72
International Util 8½ 1982	82¾	83¾
Kleinwort 8½ 1987	76	78
Lancashire 9¼ 1981	89¾	91¾
Legal & Gen Ass 7¾ 1988	71	73
Manchester 8½ 1981	83	85
Mexico 8½ 1983	78	81
Minolta 7¾ 1988	74	76¾
Motorola 8 1987	85	86
Mitsubishi 9 1989	92	93¾
Nat & Grindlays 7¾ 1987	71¾	73¾
Nat Coal Board 8¾ 1988	80	82
Norges Komm 7¾ 1990	77	78
N A Rockwell 7¾ 1979	92¾	93¾
N A Rockwell 8¾ 1987	79¾	80¾
Nottingham 8½ 1979	86	88
Pacific Lighting 8 1988	80	81
Pennwalt 7 1987	81	83
Quebec Hydro 8½ 1989	90	92
Quebec (Province) 7¾ 1988	78	79
Queensland 8½ 1987	82	84
Ralston 7¾ 1987	80	81
RHM 8 1988	70¾	72¾
SAS 8 1987	77¾	80¾
Scanstff 7¾ 1990	78	79
Scanraff 8½ 1988	87	88
Shell 7¾ 1987	80¾	81¾
Singapore 7¾ 1987	79	80
Slough 8 1988	58	62
South Africa 8 1987	—	80
SIB 7¾ 1987	78¾	79¾
Standard Oil 8½ 1980	84¾	85¾
Standard Oil 8¾ 1988	88¾	89¾
Standard Oil 8¼ 1988	89	90
Sybron 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Tenneco 7¾ 1979	75¾	77¾
Tenneco 7¾ 1987	73	74
Textron 7¾ 1987	72	73
Town & City 8 1988	58	62
Transocean Gulf 7¾ 1987	81¾	83¾
Union Oil 7 1979	89¾	90¾
Union Oil 7¾ 1987	79¾	80¾
UDT 8¾ 1988	64	67
Utah 7¾ 1979	88	89¾
Utah 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Venezuela 8¼ 1987	90	92
Volvo 8 1987	79¾	80¾
Wellcome 8¾ 1987	69	70
Wm Glyns 8¼ 1987	74	76
AMF 9 1987	50	52
Alaska Int 6 1987	39	42
American Express 4¼ 1987	61	64
American Motors 6 1990	70	—
American Medical 5¼ 1992	32	34
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1990	86	88
Beatrice Foods 6¼ 1991	89¾	89¾
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1990	73	75
Borden 5 1992	69	71
Borden 6¼ 1991	84	86
Broadway Hale 4¼ 1987	60	62
Carnation 4 1987	63	65
Cummins 6¼ 1986	70	72
Damon 5 1987	40	42
Dart 4¼ 1987	78	80
E Asia Navigation 6¼ 1987	60	62
Economic Laser 4¼ 1987	70	72
Eaton 5 1987	92	94
Ford 5 1986	65	68
Ford 5 1988	65	68
Fedders 5 1992	30	34
Gillette 4¼ 1987	57	59
Gould 5 1987	60	63
General Electric 4¼ 1987	71	73
Halliburton 4¼ 1987	101	105
Harris 1992	74	76
Honeywell 6 1986	71	73
Hongkong Land Com 7¼ 1988	79	81
ITT 5¼ 1987	57	59
ITT Sheraton 6¼ 1989	65¼	67¼
J Ray McDermott 4¼ 1987	100	102
J P Morgan 4¼ 1987	90	93
Monasco 5 1987	64	66
Nabisco 5¼ 1988	58	60
Owens Illinois 4¼ 1987	97	99
J C Penney 4¼ 1987	73	75
Revlon 4¼ 1987	75	77
Ramada 6¼ 1986	45	48
Rank Org 4¼ 1995	40	42
Sime Darby 5¼ 1988	80	82
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1989	75	77
Slater Walker 5¼ 1987	80	83
Southland 5 1987	87	90
Squibb 4¼ 1987	69	71
United Overseas Bank 6¼ 1988	49	51
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1988	65¼	67¼
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1987	66¼	68¼
Xerox Corp 5 1988	71	73
BASF (FF) 7¼ 1987	85	87
Bass (FF) 7¼ 1987	58	60
Bat Int Fin (FF) 7¼ 1987	80	83
Brascan (DM) 8½ 1988	83	85
BLMC (FF) 7¾ 1987	58	60
Charter (FF) 7¼ 1987	86	88
Charter (DM) 6¾ 1988/89	83	12¾
Courtalds (DM) 6¾ 1989/94	70¾	73¾
Denmark (DM) 6¾ 1990	66¾	68¾
Denmark (FF) 7¾ 1988	87¾	89¾
EIB (FF) 7¾ 1988	84	86
Escom (DM) 7 1978-88	84	86
Fisel (DM) 7¾ 1988	82	83
Goodwear (DM) 6¾ 1972/87	79	80
ICI (DM) 8 1971/86	86¾	88¾
Lafarge (FF) 7¾ 1987	65	67
Nat West (DM) 8 1988	81¾	83¾
Occidental (DM) 6¾ 1969/76	92¾	94¾
Sumitomo (DM) 8¼ 1970/88	85¾	86¾
Sun Int Fin (DM) 7¾ 1988	83	84
Trans Euro Pipeline (DM) 8 1987	75¾	76¾
Voest-Alpine (DM) 8¼ 1988/96	90	91

DM=Deutschmark issue. FF=French Franc issue.

SOURCE: KIDDER, PEABODY SECURITIES, LONDON.

Briefly

SCOTTISH, ENGLISH, AND EUROPEAN TEXTILES

Turnover for first quarter rose by 24 per cent, reports Mr J. Mackenzie.

RANK AND XEROX REGROUP

Rank Organisation and Xerox Corporation (United States) will assume direct ownership of three European manufacturing companies through a Dutch company, Rank Xerox Holding BV, on the same basis as their ownership of Rank Xerox Ltd. From plants in Holland, France, and Germany they will help supply the growing needs of Rank Xerox's marketing subsidiaries throughout Europe.

COX INDUSTRIES

Reviewing group's first year as public company chairman says that more than 200,000 sq ft of industrial space was let and sold and *further 300,000 sq ft is now being* built. Demand continues to be good and rentals achieved continue to rise.

J. JARVIS & SONS

Although outlook for building is not good, company has strong forward position and chairman is confident.

ABERCOM INV.

Board hopes to increase profits and cash inflow this year. Dividend to be raised to at least 25c.

HAWKINS & TIPSON

Company has acquired Thornber Construction for £10,000 plus £100,000 new working capital.

HIGHAMS

Courtaulds has increased stake to just over 20 per cent.

KENNEDY SMALE

Taxable profit for 1973-74, £178,000 (£237,000). Dividend held at 2.1p gross.

METROPOLE INDS—THOS POOLE

Thomas Poole & Gladstone China has acquired further 15,000 shares, bringing its stake to 215,000 (29.95 per cent).

BANK OF AMERICA NT AND SA

Middle Eastern area office has been set up in Beirut. Relocation of bank's regional administrative office to Beirut will give additional direct support to its branches and affiliates in the Middle East banking market.

UBM GROUP

UBM is to sell subsidiary, Reece Blatchford Services, to J. H. Hadfield and Sons for total of £80,000.

WILLIAM JACKSON & SONS

Despite difficulties, company are planning ahead and have opened two new stores recently. Other sites acquired, reports chairman.

HOUCHIN

Mr R. W. Houchin in annual statement reveals company has embarked on programme of recruitment of skilled labour, made possible by the abolition of Phase III. "We hope that this will enable us to operate again at full capacity."

ISLE OF MAN ENTERPRISES

Loss for half-year, £12,000 (£15,000).

METAL PRODUCTS

At annual meeting, Mr John Allen, confirmed current year had started well with good order book. Further increase in profits expected.

Rubber output rises

World natural rubber production in May was 262,500 tonnes against consumption of 292,500, preliminary figures from the International Rubber Study Group show. Comparable figures for April were 252,500 (revised) and 290,000 tonnes respectively.

Reports

Warning from Macarthys

Following its peak £1.4m pretax for 1973-74, prospects of *Macarthys Pharmaceuticals in* the present term are somewhat clouded, particularly by the attendant effects of inflation on prices and wages.

Sir Hugh Linstead, chairman, in this light, gives a warning that if current trends continue, rising costs may compel sweeping changes in the employment pattern of the industry.

The practical effect of price restraint for the group has been that prices of its products (under continued surveillance by the Ministry) have not risen in line with other commodities. The group operates largely inside the National Health Service.

LRC looks to exports

LRC International plans to extend its business particularly in the export field in spite of steeply rising costs and the continuance of price controls, says *the chairman's annual* review.

Pending publication of the Monopolies report on the sale of contraceptive sheaths, Sir Edward Howard, withholds comment on the subject at this stage, except to say that profits from the sale of these reference products in the United Kingdom are unlikely to exceed £1m in the current year.

LRC's new drug, Prostatin, is still awaiting full marketing approval from the American Food and Drug administration.

Mining

New gold mine for Ultra deeps

Shareholders in Western Ultra Deeps and Western Deep Levels will have the opportunity, once the financing has been arranged, to take a major stake in Ultra Deeps' new gold mine, Elandsrand Gold Mining Company. And there is a slight possibility that Gold Fields of South Africa shareholders could have a small slice of the action.

Its 76 per cent-owned Witwatersrand Deep is entitled to a 9¼ per cent stake in Elandsrand.

Ultra Deeps itself will have 70.9 per cent of the new mine, lying to the south and west of Western Deep Levels, which has a 19.6 per cent interest. Elandsrand will mine only the Ventersdorp Contact Reef with Western Deeps retaining the Carbon Leader Reef.

GFSA, through its holdings in the two Anglo American mines, will end up with a net beneficial stake of 15.3 per cent.

Production should begin in 1981 with a monthly output of 150,000-175,000 tons of ore hoisted through a large diameter twin shaft sunk to over 3,000m.

Wall Street

New York, Sept 3.—For a short while this morning Wall Street extended Friday's sharp technical rally. But by mid-session nearly all the gain had evaporated, with popular averages pointing lower. Analysts attributed the soft tone to international monetary nervousness stemming from the possible loss by Lloyds Bank.

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MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Confidence survives fresh blow

The equity market's apparent determination to fight back from its depressed levels received a further challenge yesterday from the disclosure that another stockbroking firm—the fifth this year—had collapsed and would cease trading. The news, hard on the heels of Lloyds Bank International losses in foreign exchange, wiped out some early gains in share prices, which then drifted lower until the end of the session when a careful rally was seen. But no selling pressure appeared, and the City was greatly cheered by the market's resistance to this latest misfortune.

At the close, the *FT* index was 1.7 off at 215.2, after 214.4, and *The Times* index 0.56 down at 84.54. As one dealer commented: "If this (the hammering) and Lloyds foreign exchange losses had been announced two weeks ago, the stock market would have fallen through the floor".

Gilts also turned cautious following the news of the hammering. Early gains were eliminated, but here also there was a further rally in the closing minutes. Shorts ended with net gains of ¼ to ½ of a point, and longs where the rally was slight, closed unchanged.

Hopes of lower United States interest rates continue to inspire the market, but turnover was thin yesterday.

Banking shares looked steadier as the Lloyds Bank International losses on foreign exchange were assessed. Lloyds themselves edged forward to 135p. Interest was quickened by Slater Walker Investments, deal into Lubok Investments, which climbed to 20p.

Gold shares had another busy session, but profit-taking cut into many of the gains scored on Monday. FS Geduld fell back to £22½.

Major industrials closed with minor losses, although the tone appeared better towards the close. Lack of business was again the major complaint.

There was little activity in oil shares yesterday. BP closed a few pence higher, but investors were content to await developments on Wall Street.

Latest dividends

All dividends in new pence or appropriate currencies.

Company (and par values)	Ord div	Year ago	Pay date	Year's total	Prev. year
Blackwood Hodge (25p) Int	2.02	1.74†	—	4.64*	4.36†
B. C. Cases (10p) Int	0.82	0.75	14/10	—	1.61
Combined Eng (12.5p) Int	1.68	1.5	22/10	—	3.25
Dumpton (Thanet) (10p)	1.5	3	1/11	1.5	3
J. & W. Henderson (25p) Int	3.81	3.37	21/10	—	8.37
Imperial Met Inds (25p) Int	1.71	1.52	—	—	3.33
Kennedy Smale (10p) Fin	1.1	1.1	—	2.1	2.1
Mono Containers (25p) Int	1.86	1.25	1/11	—	2.55
Nurdin & Peacock (10p) Int	1.12	0.97	25/10	—	2.39
Ocean Transport (25p) Int	4.42	3.93	6/1	—	8.24
Raybeck (10p) Fin	2.33	2.24	25/10	3.42	3.28
Sungei Way (5) Int	10§	NIL	8/10	—	Nil
Trident T.V. (10p) S Int	1.01	0.91	30/9	—	2.62

† Adjusted for scrip. * Forecast. §-Cents a share.

The Times Share Indices

The Times Share Indices for 4.9.74 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1935):—

	Index No.	Div. Yield	Earnings Yield	Index No.
	Latest	%	%	Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	84.54	10.52	20.82	85.10
Largest Cos.	84.54	10.52	20.82	85.10
Smaller Cos.	84.98	10.57	21.80	85.67
Capital Goods	87.04	10.42	21.79	87.67
Consumer Goods	97.65	9.96	20.65	98.38
Share Shares	74.63	11.36	14.68	75.09
Largest financial shares	108.01	8.31	—	108.47
Largest financial and industrial shares	89.09	10.09	—	89.56
Commodity shares	187.90	6.22	13.55	187.86
Gold Mining Shares	543.56	5.40	7.01	538.04
Industrial debenture stocks	70.82	8.99*	—	70.75
Industrial preferencestocks	47.91	14.48*	—	47.96
3½% War Loan	23½	15.17*	—	23½

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	188.47 (15.06.72)	63.84† (16.07.58)
1974	136.18 (28.02.74)	80.11 (18.06.74)
1973	188.33 (13.01.73)	120.88 (14.12.73)
1972	158.47 (28.08.72)	124.49 (10.12.72)
1971	134.71 (31.12.71)	122.22 (03.03.71)
1970	143.78 (14.01.70)	110.75 (26.08.70)
1969	171.05 (31.01.69)	122.96 (26.07.69)

† Adjusted to 1964 base date. * Flat interest yield.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) September 3	Market rates (close) September 4
New York	$2.3670-2.3740	$2.3700-2.3710
Montreal	$2.3818-2.3830	$2.3820-2.3830
Amsterdam	6.36-3.61	6.36-3.71
Brussels	50.90-51.40pf	50.90-51.10pf
Copenhagen	14.21-35¾	14.31-33¾
Frankfurt	6.14-18¾	6.14-15¾m
Lisbon	59.60-60.00e	59.70-60.00e
Madrid	133.10-60p	133.35-85p
Milan	1827-31¼r	1827-39¼r
Oslo	12.85-91¼	12.85¼-89¾
Paris	11.08-15¾	11.08-10¾
Stockholm	10.35-39¾	10.35-39¾
Tokyo	686-702¼	686-700¼
Vienna	43.30-80sch	43.40-65sch
Zurich	6.95-98¼	6.95-98¼

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.20-.10c prem	1.30-1.20c prem
Montreal	.50-.40c prem	2.30-2.20c prem
Amsterdam	2¼-1¾c prem.	7¼-6¾c prem
Brussels	15c prem-50-30c prem	50-30c prem
Copenhagen	½-3 prem-2½-3 disc	3¼-2¾ prem
Frankfurt	3-2¾pf prem	10¼-9¾pf prem
Lisbon	10c prem-50c disc	130c prem-100c disc
Milan	8-12lr disc	30-36lr disc
Oslo	1-½ disc	5-3½ prem
Paris	5-6c disc	9-12c disc
Stockholm	1½ prem-par disc	5-3½ prem
Vienna	3½-2½c prem	9-8c prem
Zurich	2¾-1¾c prem	9-8c prem

Canadian dollar cross-rate against United States dollar $1.0128-28.

Eurodollar deposit rates: one month 10⅝-11⅛; three months 10⅜-10½; six months 10¼-10⅜; one year 9¾-9⅞. Asian dollars: one month 11-11¼; three months 11⅛-11⅜; six months 11¼-11½; one year 10¾-11. Sterling certificates of deposit: one month 11½-11¾; three months 11¾-12; six months 11¾-12; one year 11¾-12.

Local authority deposits: seven days 11½; one month 11½; three months 11½; six months 11½; one year 11½.

Finance house deposits: seven days 11½; one month 11½; three months 11½; six months 11½; one year 11½.

Interbank rates: one month 11⅛-11; three months 11⅛-11; six months 11⅛-11; one year 10¾-10⅞.

Local authority mortgage rates: one year 12½; two years 12½; three years 12½; four years 12½; five years 12½.

Finance houses base rate 11½%.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 11½% (changed 5.6.74).

Clearing Banks Base Rate 12%.

Discount Market Loans: Overnight: Open 10 Close 11-10½. Week Fixed: 10-10½.

Treasury Bills (Disc.): Buying 11⅛; Selling 10¾. 2 months 11⅛; 2 months 11. 3 months 11⅛; 3 months 11¼.

Prime Bank Bills (Disc.): Trades (Disc.). 2 months 12⅝-12½; 3 months 12⅝. 4 months 12⅝-12½; 4 months 12⅝. 5 months 12⅝-12½; 5 months 12⅝. 6 months 12⅝-12½; 6 months 12⅝.

Local Authority Bonds: 1 month 12-11½; 7 months 12⅝-12. 2 months 12⅝-11¾; 8 months 12⅝-12⅜. 3 months 12⅝-12¼; 9 months 12⅝-12⅜. 4 months 12⅝-12¼; 10 months 12⅝-12⅜. 5 months 12⅝-12¼; 11 months 12⅝-12⅜. 6 months 12⅝-12¼; 12 months 12⅝-12⅜.

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%): 1 month 11¼-11⅛; 6 months 12⅝-12½. 2 months 12⅝-12⅜; 12 months 12⅝-12⅜.

Local Authority Market (%): Overnight: Open 10½. Close 9¾. 1 week 10⅝-10½; 3 months 12⅝-12¼. 1 month 12⅝-12½; 6 months 12⅝-12¼. 3 months 12⅝-12⅜; 12 months 12⅝-12¼.

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rates): 3 months 12⅝; 6 months 12⅝.

Finance House Base Rate 12⅝%.

Commodities

Copper drops to a 15 month low

A fresh sharp setback took COPPER prices to their lowest level since June, 1973, yesterday. Cash wire bars declined £27.50 to £569 a tonne while three months lost £28 to £585.50. The trend continued in late cash trading with the forward position finishing at £581.

Persistent liquidation was reported on a market lacking buying interest because of the quietness of fresh physical demand. Supply considerations arising out of the intention of Japanese smelters to continue exports, coupled with the virtual end to the United States copper strikes are overshadowing the market especially in view of the uncertain economic outlook.

The downtrend in early New York trading undermined sentiment further in the afternoon and this prompted renewed liquidation and commission house selling.

Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £568.00-70.00 a metric ton: three months, £585.00-86.00. Sales, 4,525 tons. Cash cathodes, £564.50-66.00; three months, £582.00-83.00. Sales, 225 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £581.00-82.00; three months, £598.50-599.00. Settlement, £582.00. Sales, 5,150 tons. Cash cathodes, £566.00-57.00; three months, £574.00-75.00. Settlement, £577.00. Sales, 275 tons.

SILVER prices dropped sharply on the LME in the afternoon following heavy liquidation in New York. Cash wire bar losses ranged between 9.5p to 11.5p. Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 250.0p a troy ounce (United States 250.0 cents equivalent). Acc., 77 three months, cents equivalent). Acc., 77 three months, 194.6p (458.1c); six months, 194.6p (457.1c); one-year, 206.6p (460.6c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon: Cash, 175.5-5.5p; three months, 178.5-79.0p; seven months, 186.5-88.5p. Sales, 87 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 182.0-83.0p; three months, 187.0-88.0p; seven months, 196.5-97.5. Settlement, 185.0p. Sales, 51 lots.

PLATINUM was fixed £1 to £78.00-£80.00 ($180.00-$188.00), a troy ounce.

QUICKSILVER is now quoted at $275-$285 per flask of 76lb.

RUBBER was initially easier against the East but later staged a modest rally allied to small scale Continental trade inquiry for months consumer grades. Terminal market losses ranged up to 0.85p in the morning but short-covering and occasional hedge buying helped to reduce the overall loss and eventually brought minor gains to the forward positions. Sentiment was said to have been unlikely affected by reports of an after hours hardening at source. But conditions in the afternoon were a little restrained in spite of seasonable support on currency grounds.

Informed sources said the bulk of terminal activity at present restricted to the trade because of the official exclusion of associate member participation for a waiting period of 30 days. The terminal market closed officially steadier. Final levels ranged from 0.50p lower to 0.25p higher. The overall volume totalled 105 lots which included five lots of next November at five tonnes each. Cif's were 0.25p to 0.50p lower. Spot closed unchanged.

Oct. 27.75-28.20p per kilo; Nov. 27.75-28.20p; Dec. 28.00-28.20p; Jan/March, 29.80-30.00p; April/June, 30.00-30.50p; July/Sept., 30.40-30.80p; Oct/Dec. 30.40-30.80p; Jan/March, 31.00p; April/June, 31.40-31.60p; July/Sept., 31.60-31.75p. Physicals closed steadier. Spot, 27.00-28.50p; Oct.-Oct. 27.75-28.25p; Nov. 28.00-28.50p.

WOOL.—Greasy futures early recouped early falls in the afternoon on general buying support, to end with gains of seven points between 5 and 40 points. The closing tone was steady. Dec. 178.0-179.0p per kilo; March, 172.0-173.0p; May, 170.0-172.0p; July, 170.0-172.0p; Oct. 168.5-169.5p; Dec. 167.5-168.5p; March, 167.0-168.5p. Sales, 103 lots including 10 options. Dry-combed futures were likewise firm: 170.0-185.0p; Dec., 170.0-185.0p; March, 175.0-185.0p; May, July, Oct and Dec., 170.0-185.0p. Sales, nil.

JUTE quiet. Bangladesh white B-twill, spot/Sept. £168.75 nominal; white "D" grade, Aug/Sept/Oct, £178.75 nominal, a long term Sept/Oct. Rs435.00 value, 2 bale of 400 lb. Oct. Rs435.00 value, 2 bale of 400 lb. MEAT (Smithfield).—BEEF: Scotch hinds and sides, (ex RKCF): 27.0p-29.0p and 24.0p-26.0p; English hindquarters 25.5-37.0p (ex RKCF); fore hindquarters, 15.0-37.0p (ex RKCF); Irish forequarters, 16.0-18.0p; Argentine chilled boneless cuts—strip loins, 78.0-80.0p; rumps, 58.0-70.0p; top sides, 53.0-58.0p; silverside, 48.0-51.0p. Chilled hinds, 45.0-51.0p. VEAL.—English hits, 29.0-32.0p; bobbins, 8.0p (special quotations); and 5.0-5.0p. Dutch hinds and ends, 18.0-34.0p. LAMB.—English small, 30.0-38.0p; medium, 22.0-26.0p; 21.0-26.0p; heavy, 19.0-22.0p. Scotch medium, 19.0-22.0p; heavy, 19.0-22.0p. Imported frozen.—New Zealand PL, 25.5-28.5p; TL, 24.0-25.0p; PS, 23.0-25.0p; WL, 24.0-25.0p; YM's, 23.0-23.5p. EWES, 19.0-11.0p. PORK.—English, under 100 lb., 24.0-27.0p; 100-120 lb., 23.0-25.0p; 120-160 lb., 18.5-22.0p; 160-180 lb., 18.0-20.5p; 180 lb and over, 17.5-19.5p. BACON.—Home-produced, the strength of this market is centred on standards where packers during the past week have been hard-pressed to satisfy the good demand. Supplies are receiving a steady inquiry with supplies adequate. In the imported sector fewer offers are forthcoming from the Continent and the few large ones are firmer, therefore, restricted with prices firmer. Home-produced market prices (based on trading packer-first-hand):

White sides	Wed/Thurs/Fri	Mon/Tues
Large	52.50 to 3.00	52.50 to 3.00
Standard	52.50 to 2.90	52.50 to 2.90
Medium	51.70 to 1.90	51.75 to 1.80
Small	51.30 to 1.40	51.30 to 1.40
Brown sides		
Large	53.10 to 3.30	53.10 to 3.30
Standard	52.40 to 2.50	52.40 to 2.60

Imported prices current (September 1-6).—French 1's, £3.60 to 3.45; 2's, £2.95 to 3.05; 3's, £2.65 to 2.75; 4's, £1.70.

All prices quoted are for bulk delivery in Keyes trays. The above range of the guide to general market conditions and is dependent on location, quantity and whether delivered or not.

COFFEE.—Robusta futures were hampered down by to £20 in the nearer positions during early afternoon trading under an increasing volume of speculative liquidation and stop loss selling, big which met scale down buying support mainly on dealer account. The movement was in anticipation of the limit down opening of the New York coffee contract following the latest press reports on Brazilian special deals.

In late dealings futures bounced off the lows on short covering and bobbed profit-taking but still closed £11 to £16 down. Arabica futures reflected the New York terminal trend closing with losses of 200 to 300 points.

Robusta futures closed steadier. Sept. £436.0-37.0 a long ton (after £430.0); Nov. £418.5-19.0 (after £414.0); Jan. £446.0-48.0 (after £441.0); March, £418.0-48.5 (after £440.0); May, £446.0-47.0 (after £439.0); July, £446.0-47.0; Sept. £446.0-50.0. Sales 1,551 lots including 17 options.

Arabica contract irregular. Oct. $60.60-61.00 per 50 kilos; Dec. $61.00-61.70; Feb. $61.00-62.00; March, $61.00-63.50; June, $61.50-62.00; Aug., $62.00-62.80; Oct. $62.00-63.00. Sales 55 lots.

COCOA.—futures rose strongly in the afternoon with nearby September moving fro a previously par situation with December to a £12 premium. Other positions moved sympathetically upward in a distinct bull movement, mostly based on charts. The support for September—mainly short covering—was attributed to a tightening nearby situation and an apparent drying up of recent offerings. Spot tenders now stand at some 198 originals and 25 retenders. The close was firm at or just below the days best levels. On balance, gains ranged from £33 (spot Sept) to £11 a tonne.

Sept. £786.0-7.0 a metric ton; Dec. £733.0-5.0; March, £724.5-5.0; May, £685.0-90.0; July, £644.0-6.0; Sept. £655.0-6.0. Sales, 4,286 lots.

TEA.—A total of 16,179 packages of Ceylon teas were offered at auction by the Tea Brokers' Association reported. There was only a fair demand for cop's and prices of medium and plainer sorts were up to 3p lower, lower at the opening with quite heavy withdrawals by the close. Good liquoring descriptions were firmly maintained and dusts met good competition and were sometimes dearer. There was a strong general demand for the 2,734 packages of South Indian offered and prices were fully firm to dearer.

SUGAR.—The London daily price was increased by £10 on tons to a new peak of £360 a long ton. Futures were mostly bid at limit up through out the morning session. Dealers felt the strength was aided by the prospects of Morocco paying a high price for November arrival raws at a buying tender due to be held today.

The 1974 UK beet production estimate by British Sugar Corporation is made by British Sugar Corporation at 730,000 tons. 100,000 long tons was well below last week's F. O. Licht forecast but only differed slightly from unofficial estimates made by the UK trade earlier in the year.

In the afternoon futures continued to advance on keen trade and speculative buying which had built up. The rise in the day's post to the firm trend continued throughout apart from a temporary nervous reaction when the pools were cleared in New York. During final dealings the nearer positions reached limit up levels and the market closed with overall gains of £10.25 to £20.80. Confirmation of a white sugar sale to Russia of 200,000 tons and for Sept-Oct shipment was considered constructive.

The closing tone was firm. Oct. £373.5-75.0p; Dec. £363.0 limit up bid; March, £313.5 limit up bid; May, £296.00-5.00; Aug. £271.00-2.00; Oct. £251.00-2.00; Dec. £240.00-1.00. Sales, 5,812 lots.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—United States dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent, Oct/Nov. £96.00, nominal translation in east coast; EEC millings, Sept. £68.00 quoted east coast. MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French, Sept. £70.00; Oct. £71.50; Nov. £72.25 seller transhipment each coast; South African yellow, Nov/Dec. £75.50 seller Glasgow. BARLEY.—EEC feed, Sept. £65.00 seller west coast. All a long ton. cif United Kingdom unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin. BARLEY fully steady. Sept. £67.90; Nov. £80.50; Jan. £62.85; March, £64.80; May, £66.75. WHEAT fully steady. Sept. £59.35; Nov. £61.95; Jan. £64.60; March, £66.70; May, £68.65. All a long ton.

Home-Grown Cereals Authority's location ex-farm spot prices: Salt milling WHEAT.—Edinburgh, £69.95. Kings Lynn, £67.75. Feeding BARLEY.—Edinburgh, £60.90. Kings Lynn, £58.55. Malting barley.—Edinburgh, £61.45. Kings Lynn, £66.25.

COPRA.—Philippines, Sept/Oct, £575 resellers & dealers ton.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar weakened yesterday on European foreign exchange markets against most currencies. Dealers said the United States currency eased considerably against the Deutsche mark. The dollar was quoted in London at 2.6605—20 marks, down from 2.6745 on Monday.

One dealer said the mark had been helped by the announcement that West German Finance Minister Hans Apel would propose the removal of the Bardepot curb on foreign borrowing at a September 11 Cabinet meeting.

The Bardepot is an interest-free cash deposit, currently at 20 per cent, that must be placed with the West German central bank on all foreign borrowings.

The dollar also fell against the Swiss franc, *dropping to 3.0075-.0110 francs from 3.0220 on Monday.* It dropped to 4.8050 French francs from about 4.8312S. However it held steady against sterling. The pound closed at $2.3105 down 10 points.

Discount market short

The Government Broker was able, it would appear to sell a sizeable amount of gilt-edged stock when the market made a sudden rise of about a point on cheaper money hopes on Monday. The settlement of this sum deprived the money market of funds yesterday, *turning an expected surplus* into a net shortage that needed to be offset by help from the Bank of England. So the authorities bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills directly from the discount houses.

Recent Issues

	Closing price
As Mort 13½c 1984 (£98½)	£93½
Brent Walker 5p Ord	23
Essex 10½ Pf (£9c)	89
Finance for Ind 14½ (£95½)	£95½
York Wtr 10½ Pref Pf	£99½

	Latest date of application
RIGHTS ISSUES	
Bulak Napalilim (15p)	13p

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. a. £20 paid. c £10 paid.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorised Unit Trusts

Abacus Arbuthnot Ltd., Barnett Hse, Fountain St, Man 2. 061-236 9775

48.1	23.5	Giants	22.2	23.50 5.40
43.6	24.9	Do Accum	23.5	24.3 *5.40
44.7	21.4	Growth	20.3	21.7a 6.66
25.2	22.1	Do Accum	20.9	22.4 6.66
23.3	20.8	Income	20.2	20.8e 9.09
40.9	27.4	Do Accum	26.6	27.4 9.56
27.2	18.6	Int Accum	15.6	16.6 3.50

Abbey Unit Trust Managers, 72-80 Gatehouse Rd. Aylesbury, Bucks 0296-5941

25.3	13.6	Abbey Capital	13.2	13.9 5.17
47.5	22.4	Abbey General	22.3	23.7a 3.27
18.0	16.0	Do Income	15.6	16.4 8.35
25.8	16.5	Do Invest	15.7	16.5 5.96

Albany Trust Managers Ltd., 14 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2. 01-588 8371

51.3	42.7	Albany Trst*	39.8	42.6e 4.69
53.1	30.3	Do Income*	28.5	30.0e 7.98

Allied Hambro Group, Hambro Hse, Hambro Rd, Surbiton, Surrey. 01-568 2851

77.8	39.9	*Allied Capital*	35.4	37.7 7.03
62.7	34.2	Do Inc	34.8	37.1e 6.80
63.7	35.1	Brit Ind 2nd	34.4	36.6 7.71
38.9	19.8	Growth & Inc	19.0	20.2p 7.28
33.3	17.5	Elec & Ind Def	16.9	18.0 7.28
37.6	28.3	Mel Min & Cmdty	27.9	29.8 6.48
58.2	34.5	High Income	33.3	34.4 8.53
38.6	20.1	Equity Income	19.3	20.5p 9.07
24.6	15.6	International	15.1	16.1 2.50
25.0	23.0	High Yield Fnd	22.8	23.1 12.00
115.6	59.2	Hambro Fnd	52.5	56.3 7.55
33.7	27.2	Do Income	26.0	27.7a 8.77
56.5	51.3	Do Recovery	48.3	52.1 10.69
20.1	13.2	Do Smaller	12.5	13.1e 8.47
20.9	14.6	Do Accum	13.9	14.5 8.41
26.1	16.1	2nd Smaller	15.3	16.2 8.08
30.8	22.6	Secs of America	21.3	22.5 2.00
101.6	97.6	Exempt Fnd	82.6	97.6 1.30

Ansbacher Unit Management Co Ltd., 1 Noble Street, London, EC2V 7JU. 01-606 4010

42.4	22.0	Nth American	20.8	22.6 9.36
		Dividend Ltd.		
252½	Romford Road, London, E7.			01-534 8521
28.0	24.0	Unicorn Amer	23.7	25.0 3.50
44.4	44.4	Unicorn	43.7	46.3 3.50
78.6	52.4	Do Accum	49.0	52.0 3.50
78.3	30.0	Unicorn Capital	29.4	30.7e 8.94
78.7	35.5	Ekcrip	34.1	35.8 5.71
25.3	13.9	Extra Income	13.3	14.0 11.04
68.6	31.0	Financial	30.1	32.7e 6.36
68.6	31.0	Financial '500'	30.1	32.7e 5.51
34.6	15.6	General	14.9	15.9e 5.69
40.8	24.6	Growth Accum	17.8	19.1 7.89
39.0	37.8	Income	36.3	38.2 9.43
25.0	16.1	Recovery	17.3	18.4 5.55
156.0	58.6	Trustee	54.3	57.7e 7.85
50.3	38.3	Worldwide	35.6	38.0e 7.01

Brandts Ltd., 26 Fenchurch St, London, EC3. 01-626 9589

143.0	93.0	Brandts Cap (4)	87.8	93.0 5.41
146.0	98.0	Do Accum (4)	92.6	98.0 2.81
141.0	93.0	Brandts Inc (4)	78.0	83.0e 9.06

Bridge Trust Management Co Ltd., Plantation Hse, Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951

109.0	62.0	Bridge Ex* (3)	58.0	62.0e 6.01
206.0	132.0	Do Inc* (3)	143.0	157.0e 9.05
212.0	98.0	Do Cap* (3)	96.0	106.0e 3.30
216.0	103.0	Do Cap Acc* (3)	100.0	105.0 3.30
136.0	62.0	Orseas Inc (3)	58.0	62.0e 4.83
116.0	64.0	Do Accum (3)	61.0	64.0 4.83

C. & J. Clark Ltd., Unit Managers Ltd. 0272 327300

32.9	16.8	C & A	16.3	17.4e 8.53

G.T. Unit Managers Ltd., 16 St. Martin's-le-Grand, EC1. 01-600 8461 Ext 13

47.3	44.2	G'T Cap	41.3	44.3e 2.00
93.5	87.5	Do Accum	81.8	87.5e 2.00
89.4	77.9	Do Income	73.6	79.1e 6.00
118.4	94.6	Do US Gen Fnd	106.8	111.4 1.00
110.3	94.6	Do Japan Gen	103.8	112.2 1.00

Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd., Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-661 0031

92.0	40.7	Guardhill	40.0	41.4e 7.50

Henderson Administration Ltd., 31 Austin Friars, London, EC2. 01-588 3622

100.2	49.3	Cabot	48.5	49.8e 5.30
197.5	83.0	Henderson Gr	80.0	83.0e 4.79

Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd., PO Box 178, Croydon, CR9 8AL. 01-681 1033

41.1	39.4	Dollar	38.2	40.8 1.54
30.9	21.8	International	20.6	21.9 1.00
144.3	89.3	Brit Guernsey	85.2	89.3e 4.48
144.3	89.4	Brit Guernsey	85.2	74.3e 4.48
20.7	19.2	Cap	17.7	18.8e 6.10
31.3	29.0	Cap Trst	27.2	28.7e 6.10
25.2	11.7	Inc Trst	11.6	12.7 10.45
26.4	12.7	High Yield	12.0	14.0e 11.72
47.1	22.4	Secs Trst	21.8	23.5 6.50

Isotron Unit Management Ltd., 64 Coleman St, London, EC2. 01-638 5656

101.0	56.0	Foreign Fnd (2)	50.5	53.0 3.60
205.0	84.0	Foreign Fnd (2)	85.0	89.0 8.46
109.0	72.3	Inv Fnd (2)	70.0	74.0 11.47

Jascet Securities Ltd., 31 Young St., Edinburgh. 031-226 6782

27.7	20.1	Compound (1)	15.7	17.7e 13.70
20.0	20.1	Equity Accum (1)	18.3	20.3e 13.70
29.0	16.1	Str. Wdraw (1)	16.0	18.1e —
24.0	20.0	Preference	19.0	21.0e 15.18
29.0	20.1	Income	20.3	22.3e 15.18
26.6	13.2	Cap (1)	11.8	13.2 —
26.1	16.2	Aust Comp Fnd	15.3	16.5 5.51
20.4	14.2	Aust Cap	13.1	13.7 —
27.5	18.3	Sector Ldrs (3)	15.2	18.1e 4.58
34.3	11.8	Fin & Prop (3)	10.0	11.0e 5.75
29.0	14.0	Fund Inv (4)	12.5	14.0e 7.98
25.7	16.0	Nth Sea (3)	14.4	16.0 3.36
45.0	38.5	Commodity (5)	34.9	37.8 5.82
49.0	37.4	Pan Europ (5)	34.9	37.4 1.87
27.5	20.4	10% Wdraw (5)	25.8	28.5 —

Jessel Britannia Group, 155 Fenchurch St., London, EC3. 01-623 7262

68.1	44.4	Britannia Plus	44.4	47.5 8.16
43.3	21.2	Brit Gen	20.9	22.4 8.00
41.0	20.5	Euro Inc	20.2	21.2e 11.14
41.0	20.5	Extra Income	20.2	21.2e 11.14
32.5	28.2	High Income	27.3	28.7 7.40
73.0	16.4	Do City of Ldn	29.9	32.0e 7.49
62.5	30.0	Do Global	29.4	31.0e 6.43
177.5	110.3	Do Global G	144.5	154.0e 6.63
58.9	37.1	Do Inc	34.7	37.1 8.67
34.5	18.2	Do Inv Units	17.2	18.5e 6.49
34.5	18.2	Do Inv Units	17.2	18.5e 6.49
21.1	11.2	Do Prop & G	10.6	11.4 6.62
53.4	35.3	Do Financial	33.9	36.2 9.58
53.4	35.3	Do Financial	33.9	36.2 9.58
27.5	20.3	Jl. Ist Cons	19.0	20.3e 5.42

Key Fund Managers, 25 Milk St, EC2V 8JU. 01-606 7070

79.0	39.1	Cap Fund	38.3	40.7 5.22
97.8	58.4	Exempt Fnd (3b)	54.9	58.4 10.35
80.7	48.2	Inc Fnd	47.1	48.8 4.81

Legal & General Tyndall Fund, 18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241

84.0	39.2	Accum	31.2	33.2 6.91
82.0	36.0	Accum	34.0	36.0 6.91

Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Management, 71 Lombard Street, London, EC3. 01-626 1800

33.6	24.6	Inc	23.7	25.2 7.34
30.0	29.1	Do Accum	28.2	29.9e 7.34
30.6	27.5	2nd Inc	26.4	27.9e 6.63
30.6	27.5	Do Accum	26.4	27.9e 6.63
78.5	40.5	3rd Inc	39.1	41.5 10.48
80.3	63.3	Do Accum	61.3	48.4 10.48

Morgan Grenfell Funds, 23 Gt Winchester St, London, EC2. 01-588 4545

148.5	82.1	Cap (3)	78.8	82.1 5.70
77.5	36.8	Progressive	33.0	35.2 8.21

Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd., Amersham Rd, High Wycombe, Bucks. 0494 32615

58.4	30.4	Equity & Law	29.2	31.0 6.43

Family Fund Managers Ltd., 72-80 Gatehouse Rd. Aylesbury, Bucks 0296 5941

74.2	49.0	Family Fnd	46.7	49.7 3.84

Framlington Unit Management Ltd., Spencer Hse, 4 South Place, EC2. 01-628 4966

52.6	37.0	Capital	34.8	37.0 7.46
62.6	33.6	Income	31.8	33.6 9.61

Friends' Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd., 7 Leadenhall St, London, EC3. 01-628 4511

16.9	15.3	Friends' Prov*	15.7	16.5e 7.08
36.9	15.3	Do Accum	17.3	18.5 7.08

Funds in Court, Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2. 01-405 4300

117.0	57.0	Capital	56.0	57.0 —
88.5	47.0	Gen Income*	46.0	47.0 9.79
97.4	52.0	High Yield*	51.0	52.0e 9.88

G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd., 8 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300

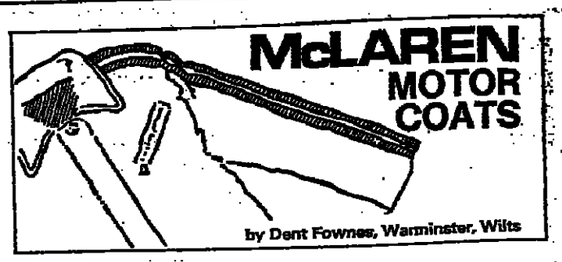
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§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.



BRITISH FUNDS

1973-74 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Red	Gross Yield
95½	94¾	Treas 9½%	1974	99½		6 635 11 390
98	92¾	Treas 9%	1975	98		8 161 10 448
96½	93¼	Treas 9%	1975	98½		8 161 10 448
95½	88⅝	Savings 3%	1965-75	93½		3 196 7 014
93¾	88	Exch 9½%	1976	95½		9 703 14 167
94⅛	88	Treas 9½%	1976	95½		9 703 14 167
91⅞	85¾	Treas 9%	1977	93½		9 676 14 367
88	82¾	Treas 8½%	1978	90½		9 441 14 367
84¾	78¾	Treas 8%	1978	86½		9 303 14 367
84	78¾	Treas 8%	1979	86½		9 303 14 367
82¾	77¾	Treas 8%	1980	84½		9 303 14 367
81¾	76¾	Treas 8%	1981	83½		9 303 14 367
80¾	75¾	Treas 8%	1982	82½		9 303 14 367
79¾	74¾	Treas 8%	1983	81½		9 303 14 367
78¾	73¾	Treas 8%	1984	80½		9 303 14 367
77¾	72¾	Treas 8%	1985	79½		9 303 14 367
76¾	71¾	Treas 8%	1986	78½		9 303 14 367
75¾	70¾	Treas 8%	1987	77½		9 303 14 367
74¾	69¾	Treas 8%	1988	76½		9 303 14 367
73¾	68¾	Treas 8%	1989	75½		9 303 14 367
72¾	67¾	Treas 8%	1990	74½		9 303 14 367
71¾	66¾	Treas 8%	1991	73½		9 303 14 367
70¾	65¾	Treas 8%	1992	72½		9 303 14 367
69¾	64¾	Treas 8%	1993	71½		9 303 14 367
68¾	63¾	Treas 8%	1994	70½		9 303 14 367
67¾	62¾	Treas 8%	1995	69½		9 303 14 367
66¾	61¾	Treas 8%	1996	68½		9 303 14 367
65¾	60¾	Treas 8%	1997	67½		9 303 14 367
64¾	59¾	Treas 8%	1998	66½		9 303 14 367
63¾	58¾	Treas 8%	1999	65½		9 303 14 367
62¾	57¾	Treas 8%	2000	64½		9 303 14 367
61¾	56¾	Treas 8%	2001	63½		9 303 14 367
60¾	55¾	Treas 8%	2002-06	62½		9 303 14 367
59¾	54¾	Treas 8%	2003-07	61½		9 303 14 367
58¾	53¾	Treas 8%	2012-15	60½		9 303 14 367
57¾	52¾	Consols 4%		56½		9 303 14 367
56¾	51¾	War Ln 3½%		53½		9 303 14 367
55¾	50¾	Funt 3½%		52½		9 303 14 367
54¾	49¾	Treas 3%		51½		9 303 14 367
53¾	48¾	Consols 2½%		50½		9 303 14 367
52¾	47¾	Treas. 2½%	Aft 75	16		15 353

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

85¾	85¾	Aust 2½%	70-75	93½		2 845 12 881
82½	67¾	Aust 5½%	65-75	78½		7 157 13 868
82½	67¾	Aust 5½%	66-78	78½		6 832 14 101
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	67-82	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	68-83	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	69-84	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	70-85	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	71-86	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	72-87	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	73-88	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	74-89	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	75-90	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	77-92	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	78-93	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	79-94	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	80-95	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	81-96	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	82-97	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	83-98	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	84-99	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	85-00	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	86-01	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	87-02	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	88-03	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	90-05	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	91-06	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	92-07	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	93-08	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	94-09	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	95-10	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	96-11	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	97-12	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	98-13	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	99-14	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	00-15	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	01-16	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	02-17	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	03-18	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	04-19	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	05-20	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	06-21	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	07-22	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	08-23	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	09-24	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	10-25	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	11-26	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	12-27	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	13-28	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	14-29	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	15-30	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	16-31	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	23-38	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	26-41	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	28-43	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	29-44	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	45-60	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	46-61	69½		8 103 14 167
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73¾	58	Aust 5½%	58-73	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	59-74	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	60-75	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	61-76	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	62-77	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	63-78	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	64-79	69½		8 103 14 167
73¾	58	Aust 5½%	65-80	69½		8 103 14 167
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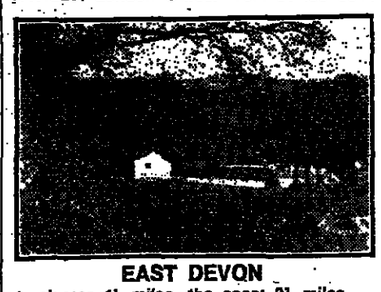


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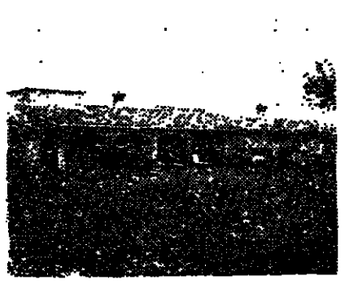
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PUBLIC NOTICES

CHURCH COMMISSIONERS
PASTORAL MEASURE 1968

Notice is hereby given by the Church Commissioners that they have prepared a draft pastoral scheme to implement proposals sent to them by the Bishop of Saint Albans and the Bishop of Oxford, for uniting the benefice and parish of Eaton Bray in the diocese of St Albans and the benefice and parish of Edlesborough in the diocese of Oxford for making a declaration of redundancy in respect of the parish church of the parish of Edlesborough, and for altering the areas of the parishes of Edlesborough, Little Gaddesden and Studham with Whipsnade.

A copy of the draft scheme may be inspected at the Church notice board of the parish churches of Edlesborough, Eaton Bray, Little Gaddesden and Studham.

A copy may also be obtained or inspected during normal office hours upon application to the Church Commissioners' office.

Any Representations with respect to the draft scheme should be made in writing to the Church Commissioners and should reach their offices not later than 4 October 1974.

K. S. RYLE
Secretary

1 Millbank London SW1P 3JZ
30 August 1974.

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K. S. RYLE
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2 September 1974

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Signed K. St. J. O'Brady.

Dated this 4th day of September, 1974.

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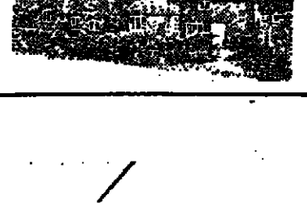
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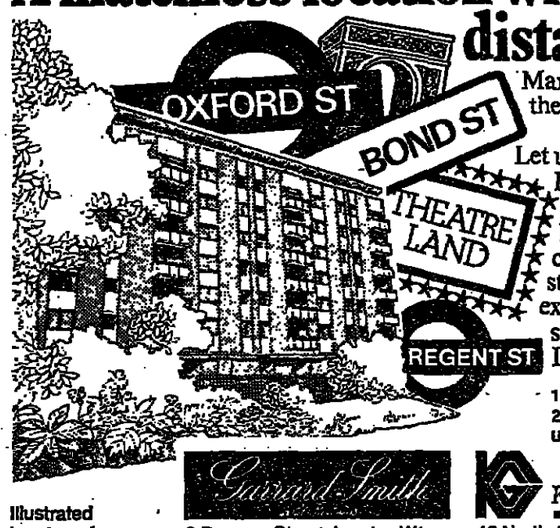
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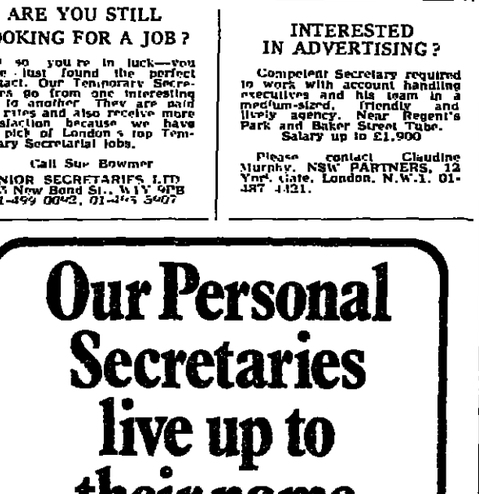
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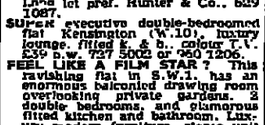
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KEIGHTLEY.—On 27th August, 1974, to Pepe (nee Erskine-Tulloch) and Patrick Keightley—a son.

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MARRIAGES

AYERS : GOHL.—On 1 September at the United Reformed Church, Ickenham, Stephen Edward Ayers, son of Mr and Mrs W. B. Ayers of Ruislip, to Gillian Helen Elisabeth Gohl, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Gohl of Ickenham, Uxbridge.

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KEMPTON.—On September 2nd, 1974, peacefully, Charles Henry Arthur, beloved husband of Constance and father of Marcia. Funeral service on Wednesday, September 11th at 11.15 a.m. at Putney Vale Cemetery. Flowers may be sent to Sherlock & Sons, Trulls House, Dorking.

LANGSTAFF.—On September 2nd, peacefully, William, dearly loved husband of the late Louise Langstaff. Interment at Fulham Cemetery on Monday, September 9th, at 2 p.m. All inquiries to J. H. Henson, 187 Fulham Palace Road. W.6. 01-381 2788.

LLOYD HAINE.—On September 2nd, 1974, at King's College Hospital after a short illness, Evelina Maureen Lloyd Haine, aged 75 years, widow of Stanley Charles Lloyd Haine of The Chalet, Mount Gardens, Sydenham, S.E.26. Funeral service at Lewisham Crematorium, Verdant Lane, S.E.6, on Tuesday, September 10th, at 2 p.m. Flowers and all inquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons, 41 Sydenham Road, Sydenham, S.E.26. Tel. 01-778 6558.

MacDONALD WATSON.—On September 1st suddenly at his home *in Ashleigh, Essex, Ronald* Malcolm Donald Watson, beloved husband of Rowena and dear father of Veronica, Felicity and Fiona. Private service on Friday. September 6th. If desired, donations to the National Fund for Childbirth Research, N.W.1.

MARGOLYES.—*On August 30, at the* Churchill Hospital, Oxford, Ruth Margolyes of 109 Bamburg Road, Oxford. Beloved wife of Dr. Joseph Margolyes and dearest mother of Miriam.

McJANNET.—On September 1, 1974, suddenly at home David *Lauchlan, aged 55 years of 58* Painswood, Harlow. Private cremation service at Harlow. No flowers by request.

METCALFE.—On August 29th, peacefully at St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay, Tessa Dorothy, beloved wife of Ian and mother of Jeremy. Funeral service at Enfield Crematorium, on Friday.

MOLESWORTH.—On August 31st at the North Devon Infirmary, Richard Cecil, aged 76, Lt.-Col. (Rtd.), 1/8 Gurkha Rifles, of *Orchard Farm, St. Catherine* Bath, beloved husband of Gillian and dearly loved father of Gillian Dupre. Cremation at Barnstaple Crematorium this (Wednesday) at 3 p.m. No flowers, please, but donations if wished to the Gurkha Appeal, c/o Brig. G. H. Islanda, O.B.E., 41B Cavendish Road, Bournemouth.

NORTHOVER.—On September 1st, peacefully at Jayden, Sandown Park, Tunbridge Wells, after a long and trying illness, Roland, dearly loved husband of Dorothy *and loving father of Desmond* and Jessica. Funeral private, no flowers, please.

OVEY.—On Saturday, 31st August, suddenly at home, Elizabeth Danforth Ovey, aged 72, widow of Richard H. Ovey, of Hermes, Henley on Thames. Funeral at St. Nicholas, Rotherfield, Greys, on Friday, 6th September at 2.30 pm. No flowers please but donations instead to "The League of Friends of the Henley on Thames Hospital Group, c/o G. Pontin, Thames Valley Trustee Savings Bank, Hart Street, Henley on Thames.

POTTER.—On August 31, peacefully at home, Frank Potter, aged 85, dearly loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral and cremation at Beckenham Crematorium, 10.40 am on 9 September. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Royal Masonic Hospital.

PRESCOTT.—On 30th August, Mary (nee Webber) wife of Rev Malcolm Prescott, Feurways, Boxford, Colchester. Requiem Mass Catholic Church, Wilbermarsh Green, Stoke by Nayland, Suffolk, noon Monday, 9th September. Flowers to W. B. Kingsbury, Boxford, Colchester.

PRINGER.—On 1st September, at home, Reginald Thomas Peter *Pronger, of 33 Lebanon Park*, Twickenham. Cremation at Mortlake Crematorium, Clifford Ave., SW14, on Monday, 9th September at 2.20 pm. No flowers. donations to Cancer Research.

TAYLOR.—On September 1, 1974, Sidney, of 47 Queen's Gate, S.W.7, peacefully. Dear husband of Elizabeth and father of Nina and Jennifer.

TUCK.—On Monday, 2nd September, Daisy Olive, of Bay Tree Hidge, Cranleigh, Surrey, Kingwood, Hants, suddenly at home, dearest wife of Cyril and mother of Hazel and grandmother of Beverly and Simon. Cremation at 2 p.m. on Thursday, 5th September, at Bournemouth Crematorium. Floral tributes may be sent to Barrow Brothers, Funeral Directors, 2 Nursery Rd., Ringwood. Tel. 2103.

WHITFIELD.—September 1, 1974, peacefully in hospital, aged 75 years. Archibald Stanton Whitfield, a professor of English Literature of Plas-Benar, Dyffryn Ardudwy. Funeral service at Colwyn Bay Crematorium on Tuesday, September at 11.30 a.m. All enquiries to A.C. Lambert and Son. Tel. Conway 3458.

WHYTE.—On September 1st, Mona Harriet, beloved wife of James Whyte, of Kavell, Shipton Green Road, Itchenor. Funeral, Friday, September 6th at the Chichester Crematorium at 12.45 pm. Flowers may be sent to Edward White & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester. Tel. 82156.

WILSON. ELIZABETH FRANCES (nee Pease) widow of Sir Frank Wilson, K.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., at Ulu, Kenya, 2nd September, funeral 5th September, Langata, Nairobi.

WILSON.—On September 2nd, 1974, *peacefully at her Guildford* home (Edith) Mary Wilson, aged 67, dearly loved wife of John Wilson, mother of Christopher, Anthony and Sarah, and granny of Mark. Funeral private, family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to the Secretary, Old Peonie's Welfare Centre, Friary Street, Guildford, for the furtherance of the welfare work to which she was devoted. A Service of Thanksgiving for her life and work will be held in The Methodist Church, Woodbridge Road, *Guildford, on Saturday, September* 14th, at 12 noon.

WINKLEY. — On September 1st Frederick William Evance Winkley, F.R.I.C.S., of Mount Avenue, Westcliffe-on-Sea, husband of Phyllis, and father of Ruth. Funeral Southend Crematorium Monday, 9th September at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to Thorp & Son, Leigh-on-Sea.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ANDREAE.—A memorial service for Christiana Candida Andreae will be held at St Peter's, Eaton Square, SW1 on Tuesday, 17th September at 12 noon.

MARSHALL.—A memorial service for Joan Marshall will be held at St Mary's Parish Church, Caterham on the Hill, Surrey, on Wednesday, 11th September, 1974, at 3 p.m.

TAYLOR.—A memorial service for Maud Dorothy Mary Taylor, who died 14th Aug., will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton Road, S.W.7 (behind the Brompton Oratory), on Friday, 27th *Sept., 1974, at 12 noon.*

IN MEMORIAM

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NOAKES. THOMAS INSKIP.—Died September 3, 1972. He will always be remembered with love.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

MENDES-DA COSTA.—Michael David wishes to thank all his friends and family for their wonderful comforting letters and flowers which came as such a help to him in his time of great loss.

WILLIAMS.—The family of the late Trevor Anthony Williams wish to express their appreciation for all the kind thoughts and sympathy shown to them in their recent bereavement, and also to the many kind friends who attended the funeral service.

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